

Stanwick Class Spring Curriculum Newsletter

Happy New Year! We hope that you had an enjoyable break over the Christmas period. This term, the children continue to build on what they learnt last term and learn new things through exciting topics.

School values- Last term we revisited all of our school values and worked hard in class and around school to keep them in mind. This term, we are focusing on the values of Responsibility and Perseverance.

Home Learning- Last term we introduced the idea of children being responsible for their own home learning. Each week they were asked to write in their planner something that they could practise at home related to their Maths or English learning. This was successful and will continue. I am really pleased that good efforts are being made to improve the knowledge and recall of multiplication and division facts. Each week I see scores go up! Well done everyone! Please continue to encourage your child to practise these and to gain quick mental recall. The weekly lists of spellings are enabling children to become familiar with the spelling patterns. In their planner, the children have lists of year 3/4 words that they must also know. I have seen an improvement over last term, which is wonderful. Please encourage your child to continue to regularly practise. We also welcome any topic related homework which we celebrate and display in class. Look out for the next sheet of ideas.

Reading- We are fortunate to have a class full of book lovers. I can see a marked improvement in their understanding of what they read and their developed fluency, tone and expression. It is really important that children are encouraged to think about the way the story/text has been written. This can be done by asking them about the choices the author made or by identifying words of specific word families. For example, "can you find me a preposition and tell me how the author has used it.?"

As always, reading books and planners should be in school every day. We aim to change them at least once per week if needed and we hear them read on a regular basis, as a class and individually.

PE Kit- This should be in school every day, with the appropriate outdoor footwear. All children should have a water bottle please and all kit should be labelled with the child's name. Our P.E lessons are scheduled for Monday and Wednesday this term but this can change. Please familiarise yourself with the school's expectations relating to P.E kit.

Trips and Experiences - Currently we are still exploring the opportunities for children to participate in out of school learning. We will keep you informed of any trips that are provisionally booked and provide details in due course.

Extra Information - Please regularly check your emails for events and updates.

Thank you for your support.

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NB: Friends and Family Friday – Friday 26th January.

Parents' Evenings – Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th February.

English

We will be learning about Traditional poems and performance poetry, Non-chronological reports, Myths and Legends, Recounts, and Stories from the same author.

Grammar- conjunctions, subordinate conjunctions, verb tenses, punctuation, subordinate clauses, fronted adverbials, use of the forms 'a' and 'an', word families, apostrophes and speech punctuation.

Maths

We will continue our work on multiplication division, addition and subtraction. We will also teach problem solving skills.

Y3- inverse, scales with different intervals, fractions, partitioning, angles, place value, multiples, grid references

Y4- inverse, negative numbers, decimal fractions, balancing number sentences, coordinates

PE

Fitness/Dance
Rounders
Ball games
Rugby

Science

Rocks & Fossils

Computing

We are musicians.
We are HTML editors

Topics- 'Mighty Mountains' and 'Gladiator'

Our first topic is Geography based but will allow for cross-curricular links to other subjects. We will be exploring mountains and volcanoes.

Our second topic is History based as we explore the Romans and understand what life was like for them.



RE

Jesus our inspiration
Easter

E-Safety

Safer internet

PSHE

Road Safety
Personal Finance

British values

Democracy- Reinforcing values/school council.
Being part of Britain-Romans.
Individual Liberty- Taking responsibility.
Mutual respect of different faiths & beliefs- RE
Rules of Law- Class rules and E-safety

Art/DT

Collage- Volcanoes
Sewing

French

New Vocabulary
Phrases
Questions
Rhymes, songs & stories

Music

Beat/pulse, Rhythm,
volume