



Stanburn Primary School
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Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn 2023 - Second half



Key events

Whole school flu vaccination: Wednesday 1st November

Bag to school (PTA): Friday 3rd November

Anti-Bullying Week: Monday 14th November

Chiltern Open Air Museum trip:

Thursday 16th November– 3Saffron, 3Canary and 3Dijon

Friday 17th November– 3Daffodil

Road safety week: Monday 20th November

Parents Evening: Tuesday 28th and Thursday 30th November

Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 7th December

PTA winter fair: Friday 15th December

End of term: Thursday 21st December at 1:30pm

Home Learning:

Home learning is updated on Ms Teams on **Friday** and is due in the following **Wednesday**.

There is an English activity, Maths activity and a spelling activity each week which needs to be completed in your child's Home Learning book. The children also need to complete daily reading and a MyMaths online activity.

Children need to remember to bring in their reading diaries on their reading days.



Welcome to Year 3

Welcome to Year 3's curriculum newsletter. This will provide you with information about what your child will be learning during the second half of the Autumn term. The children have settled well into Year 3 and have been working extremely hard.

The school target for attendance is 97%.

Currently our year group overall attendance is 95.1%

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How you can support your child at home:

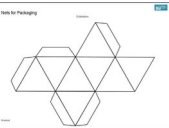
To support your child at home please ensure home learning is completed each week along with listening to your child read for 10 minutes each day.

Please encourage the children to practice their times tables daily by logging on to TT Rockstars where they can develop a quick recall of their key facts.

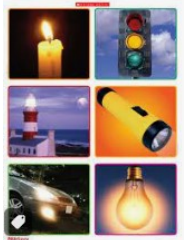
Visit the local library to encourage the children to look at non-fiction books about the Bronze Age and Iron Age. [Britannica Kids](#) and [BBC Bitesize](#) have videos, pictures and further information which will enrich our learning.

History The children will finish learning about Stone Age. They will learn about every day life during these periods of pre-history and compare them to their own lives in the 21st century.

D.T. This half term, the children will be exploring different structures and creating their own with nets of different shapes. They will investigate, research, plan, design and review their own gift box.



Science This half term, the children will finish learning about rocks, soil and fossils. They will also learn about will be learning about "light." During this topic, the children will learn about the sources of light, how light is reflected and how a shadow is formed. Throughout this topic the children will be able to carry out scientific investigations which will support their learning.



Music This half term, the pupils will be exploring sounds, learning how they are produced and classified, and exploring timbre and structure through musical conversations from around the world. They will then move on to using voice, body percussion, instruments and movements to create their own expressive performances.



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English Our main text this half term is, “The Croods” and “Littlenose the Explorer”. In English, the children will use these texts as a basis for their writing which will include writing dialogues, character profiles and setting descriptions. We will also learn how to write instructions inspired by the book ‘How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth’. Each week, they will continue to have spellings, including key words from the Y3 spelling list. The children will continue with daily VIPERS activities which supports reading.



Computing

The children will be continuing with their learning on Purple Mash this half term. They will complete a number of online safety activities and then move onto learning about how to record information on spread sheets. The children will have the opportunity to input information and then turn this into a bar chart and a pie chart.



RE

As part of Harrow’s RE curriculum, children will be learning about symbols in religion, with a particular focus on Christianity and Hinduism.



Mathematics

This half term, we will be looking at addition and subtraction. The children will learn this by using concrete resources and pictorial representations. Once this is consolidated, the children will move onto abstract methods where they will learn how to add and subtract using column addition. The children will then move onto multiplication and division. Once again, they will use concrete resources and pictorial representation to deepen their understanding. To support your child with this, they must log on to Times Tables Rockstars daily so they can develop a quick recall of their times tables and division facts for the 4,6,8 times tables.



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PSHE (including RHE)

This term, the focus is on “Celebrating Differences”. The children will have the opportunity to develop empathy for others, and role play scenarios to explore how they could possibly respond to their peers in challenging situations.



PE

This half term, the children will be developing their skills in gymnastics. They will consolidate and improve their jumping skills; they will learn how to do a basic forward roll and create a sequence joining two or more of these skills together.

In outdoor PE, the children will be participating in Tag Rugby, developing their receiving, attacking and defending skills.



MFL

The children in Year 3 have loved learning a new language! In French this half term, the children will be learning to sing the french alphabet and how to spell words in french. Children will also learn to count up to twenty in french and say what age they are.



Geography

In our geography unit, the children will be focusing on physical geography where they learn about volcanoes and earthquakes. The children will begin by finding out about the layers of the Earth and discover how volcanoes erupt.

