

Stanburn Primary School

Believe Achieve Succeed - Learning without limits

Autumn 1 2023 Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

We have already had a great start to the year and have really enjoyed getting to know our new classes. We look forward to working with you all! Miss Raine (6 Platinum), Miss Guildea (6 Pebble/Year 6 Leader), Mrs Kotecha (6 Dove) and Miss Gilani (6 Silver)



English - We are excited to be basing Alone our work this half term on the text Toby Alone' by Timothee de Fombelle. Throughout this unit, children will monthe explore the author's choice of language,

structure and in particular the effect it has on the reader. They will be learning how to analytically evaluate a text, which will aid their reading comprehension skills. Pupils will also use this adventure story as a stimulus for a range of writing genres. Year 6 will also be taking part in SPAG lessons to improve their writing and skills needed for SATS.

PE Indoor: This half term, children will participate in a gymnastics unit, with a focus on developing a wider range of skills including improving their flexibility. PE Outdoor: Pupils will be applying tag rugby rules in a variety of different activities and explore in more depth the importance of tactics.



<u>Key Dates:</u> Year 6 'Meet the Teacher': 12th September 2023 Roald Dahl Day: 13th September 2023 Macmillian coffee morning: 29th September 8:45-9:30 National Poetry Day: 5th October 2023 Black History month: October 2023 PTA Movie NightsFriday 13th October High School Application Deadline: 31st October 2023 Parents Evening: 28th November and 30th November Half term: Friday 20th October 2023 at 3:15pm Looking ahead - Year 6 Class Assemblies 9am: **Platinum -** 23.11.23 **Dove -** 9.11.23 Pebble - 2.11.23 Silver - 16.11.23

SATs 2024 KS2 SATs will take place: Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May 2024. More details about this will be shared in our Meet the Teacher session.

Weekly schedules: Home Learning: Given out on a Friday and due in on a Wednesday. Spellings: Friday P.E: Twice a week; children must wear their PE kit to school on PE days.



Science - Children will be learning about living things and their habitats. They will learn about the 5 different Kingdoms and how biologists classify and divide all living things into five



groups. They will investigate how these kingdoms are based on the similarities and differences of living things. Through this unit of work, children will make scientific observations about the natural word and be able to use a number of different classification systems.

Mathematics - At the beginning of the year, the children will focus on place value. They will read, write and order numbers up to 10,000,000 and determine the value of each digit.

They will also round whole numbers and decimals accurately. In addition, they will use negative numbers in context and learn to calculate intervals across 0. Year 6 children will revise their calculation skills in all four operations with whole numbers, decimals and negative



numbers. They will apply these skills to a variety of word problems. Children will also take part in investigations to further their problem solving skills and mathematical discussion.



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Geography

This half term, children will be learning about the physical geography of our planet. Through this module, pupils will explore a variety of different biomes, investigate an ocean's ecosystem and discover how animals have adapted to their habitats over time.

Art- This half term we are going to look at the question: Can art inspire action to prevent plastic pollution? We will look at different artists and how materials which would otherwise be thrown away, can create amazing artwork.

French

Pupils will be consolidating the language covered in previous years and learning how to talk about activities that they do regularly. They will be able to ask and answer questions, and discuss daily routines and food.

Computing

This half term children will be learning to use spreadsheets via 'Purple Mash'. Children will explore subject specific vocabulary.



RE

As part of Harrow's R.E. Curriculum, children will be learning about what it means to be sorry and how to identify sincere and insincere apologies with a focus on Judaism & Humanism.



PSHE - This half term, children will be creating their class charter with a focus on rights and responsibilities. They will also explore goals for the year ahead and what it means to be a global citizen. All of these themes are reflected in and supported by the Jigsaw theme of Being Me in My World.

Finally, the school target for attendance is 97% so please ensure your child is at school everyday and arrives promptly. The gates open at 8:25am and Year 6 early learning begins at 8:35am. If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact us via Dojo or through the school office. We look forward to working with you this year. Kind regards - The Year 6 Team

How you can support your child at home:

To further enhance your child's learning during our topic, you may wish to visit places such as the Natural History Museum or Science Museum. To help your children prepare for SATs, there are a wide variety of revision guides available to purchase. The CGP and Rising Star Revision guides are particularly good, however please make sure you purchase the latest Curriculum publications. These are available from all good bookshops, Amazon or EBay.



Music - Our music unit this half term is called, World Unite' and explores rhythm and melody in singing, movement and dance.

Home Learning:

Children will receive weekly home learning in core subjects, as well as 20 minutes of reading to be done at least 5 times a week. Children must evidence their reading in their diary using the prompts on the front page. Homework tasks will be set on MS Teams so please ensure your child checks this regularly. All work is to be completed

in your child's Home Learning book. If your child is struggling to access any of our virtual home learning areas, please ask them to see their class teacher.

