



Stanburn Primary School

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Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023—First Half



English

This half term, the children will be studying, 'The Story of the Windrush', by K.N. Chimbiri. The children will be reading the text and completing a range of activities based on the story. Throughout this unit, the children will learn about the different features of writing and will apply them to their own work. Throughout the half term, they will cover a variety of text types: non-chronological report, informal letter and emotive poetry about the Windrush Generation. The children will also continue to develop their reading skills and grammar knowledge. Guided reading lessons will be taught using VIPERS reading skills (vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summary).



RE

As part of Harrow's R.E. Curriculum, the children will focus their learning on Hinduism and will complete a unit entitled, "What do you know about Hinduism?" They will learn more about Hindu Gods, how Hindu people worship, and how they celebrate.



History

Our history topic this term will focus on different aspects of Anglo-Saxon life. They will learn about why the Anglo-Saxons invaded and settled; gain an understanding of how place names still used today were devised by the Anglo-Saxons; study different Anglo-Saxon artefacts and learn about the discovery and significance of the Sutton Hoo. Finally, they will explore village life and how the Anglo-Saxons were responsible for the development of Christianity in Britain.



Introduction

WELCOME TO YEAR 5

The Year 5 team are looking forward to getting to know you and your child. We have an interesting and engaging curriculum planned to ensure your child has the best possible learning experience whilst being fully prepared for the new school year. Please read through our newsletter to see the learning opportunities planned for the first half term!

Attendance target is 97%.

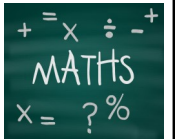
Library

In the coming weeks, children will be able to select a book, weekly, from our class library.



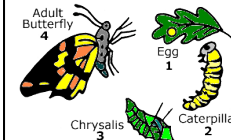
Mathematics

In Year 5, children will continue to develop their mathematical skills. This half term, they will focus on place value and addition and subtraction. Pupils will learn to read, write, order and compare numbers to at least 1,000,000 and determine the value of each digit. They will also interpret negative numbers in context and count forwards and backwards with positive and negative numbers. It is really important that children in year 5 are developing a quick recall of their times tables up to 12x12 because this knowledge will help them in all areas of maths.



Science

The children will be learning about life cycles. Through this unit of work, the children will explore the life cycles of different animals and plants. They will learn how plants and animals reproduce and will be able to understand the differences between them. The children will also study the work of eminent scientists and how their work has helped in the world of science.



Key Events

- 12th September —Meet the Teacher
- 29th September 08:45-09:30—Macmillian coffee morning
- October—Black History Month
- 5th October —National Poetry Day
- Friday 13th October—PTA Movie Night
- 20th October—Last Day of Half Term
- 23rd October —Half Term
- 30th October – Back to School





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Computing

In this unit, the children will develop their understanding of computer programming. The children will create a range of animated games using the skills acquired around coding.



Modern Foreign Language—French

This half term, the children will be revising work from Year 4 and improving their conversational skills. They will be revising telling the time in French, and asking and giving their opinion about different lessons in school.



PE

There will be outdoor and indoor PE lessons each week. Your child will be expected to come to school in their full PE kit on their PE days.

Outdoor PE: The children will develop specific tag rugby skills such as throwing and catching a rugby ball.

Indoor PE: The children will participate in dodgeball where they will learn how to catch, throw and dodge.



PSHE (including RHE)

This half term, the children will be learning about 'Being Me in the World'. They will be able to explain the difference between direct and indirect bullying, describe the different dreams of young people from different cultures and understand the importance of e-safety.



How to support your child at home

Encourage your child to discover more about our topic from library books. To further support their learning, you may wish to visit local museums e.g. Room 41 at the British Museum.

Weekly activities

Extended Writing: Friday

Spelling Test: Wednesday

P.E: Twice a week

Swimming: Thursdays (5

Orchid + 10 from 5 Amethyst)



Welcome to Year 5



Final word

We have a very exciting team of teachers in Year 5: Mr Joanides (Year Leader), Miss Ryan, Ms Ibrahim and Ms Adiraju.

We look forward to getting to know you better. If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact us through the office, Class Dojo or in the playground.

Kind regards,
The Year 5 Team

DT

Linking in with our history for this half term, the children will be learning how to design and make a money container inspired by those used in the Anglo-Saxon era.



Music

The children will explore the human life cycle with music from Brahms, Berio, Liszt and Monteverdi, supported by Music Express. The wide variety of musical moods, styles and genres inspires singing, performing and composing new techniques and structures.



Home Learning

The children will receive weekly home learning in English, maths and they will be given a set of spellings to learn. They will be given the homework on a Friday and this will be due in on the following Wednesday.

The children are also expected to participate in at least 20 minutes of reading, to be done at least 5 times a week. They should also have at least 2 entries into their reading diaries. If your child is struggling to access MS teams, then please ask them to see their class teacher. Maths homework will also be uploaded to MyMaths.



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