

Stanburn Primary School

Believe Achieve Succeed Learning without limits Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter Spring 1 2024



Key Dates:

Monday 8th January 2024 - Return to school
Friday 2nd February—NSPCC Number day
Monday 5th February—PTA cake sale
Wednesday7th February—Safer Internet Day
Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February—Half
term

School Reopens: Monday 19th February 2024

Home Learning:

Please continue to read with your child daily and sign the reading diary once a week.

The children need to ensure they bring their diaries on their reading day. They should write at least three comments a week about their reading.

Home learning is set every Friday on Class Dojos and is due the following Wednesday.

Please remember to visit TTRockstars every week to practise times tables and multiplication facts.

We also set weekly Maths homework on My Maths to revise work taught in class.



Hello! We hope that you and the children have enjoyed the autumn term. The Year 3 team are looking forward to starting the new year with some exciting new topics.

The school's target for attendance is 97%.

Currently, Year 3's overall attendance currently is 95.5%

Children should aim to arrive at school for 8:35am when Early Learning begins.



Maths

During this half term the children will be continuing their work on division with a focus on remainders and using formal methods to solve.

The children will also learn about length and perimeter. They will learn to measure in mm, cm and m and find equivalent lengths. They will add and subtract lengths and learn to find the perimeter of simple 2D shapes.

English

The key text for the next half term is Grandpa Chatterji by Jamila Gavin.

The children will look at letter writing, instructional writing and diary entries.

Alongside this, the children will be carrying out a range of SPAG related activities that support their writing.

The children will also complete weekly spelling tests and this forms part of their homework.

In reading lessons children will continue to improve their VIPERS comprehension skills. These skills focus on: Vocabulary, Infer, Predict, Explain, Retrieve and Sequence or Summarise.



Science

Year Three will learn about forces and magnets. The children will be learning about the different forces around us, and how they are used in everyday life including exploring everyday appliances in the home and industrially. They will learn the language that is connected to magnets and their properties. The children will conduct investigations with magnets to find out more about their properties and uses.



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Computing

During this half term, children will be learning touch typing and email.

Through the touch typing lessons children will understand new typing terminology, and know when to use the left or right hand for the various keys.

Through our email lessons, the children will know this is a way to communicate; they will understand the importance of sending sensible messages, and understand how to add an attachment.

PSHE (including RHE)

The focus for PSHE this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. The children will explore the skills and attributes of an effective learner. They will have opportunities to recognise their own worth as individuals by identifying positive things about themselves and their achievements. They will also set their own personal goals.

RE

The question Year Three will be considering this half term is -What rules are the most important and why? This unit of work will encompass school rules, the Ten Commandments and rules to support the environment through the concept of Ahimsa.

D.T.

Design and Technology this half term is inspired by the food that is cooked in our key text Grandpa Chatterji. The children will have



the opportunity to cook theplas and will be learning about the importance of hygienic food preparation and storage.



Geography: Children will finish learning about how tectonic plates cause earthquakes, volcanoes and mountains.

History This half term the children will begin their learning about the ancient civilisation "The Indus Valley." The children will locate the Indus Valley, they will find out what life was like during this time.

MFL

In French this half term, the children will learn the names of the colours and will be able to say which is there favourite. We will then move onto numbers from 20-50 and apply this into different contexts s such as calculations and paying for an item.

PE

Indoor PE: This half term the children will be developing their skills in gymnastics. They will learn the importance of tension and recap different types of jumps. The children will create a sequence using the different jumps, shapes and stretches that they have created.

Outdoor PE: We will be learning how to play netball this half term. The children will perform basic netball skills such as passing and catching using recognised throws. They will understand the importance of space and how this can be used effectively to build attacking play along with understanding the rules of the game.

MUSIC

Children will be introduced to the pentatonic scale. They will be given the opportunity to explore different pieces of music that use this scale. The children will be able to create their own compositions, rehearse and perform it to the rest of the class.

Children will be introduced to different metres—2, 3, 4. They will explore this and use body percussion to highlight it. The children will listen to a piece of music called 'Carillon' by Bizet. They will identify the metre, learn to sing the melodic pattern and perform it.