



Stanburn Primary School

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Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2024—first half



Key dates

Children return to school: Monday 15th April
Bank Holiday (School closed): Monday 6th May
PTA Happy Circus: Friday 10th May
Y3 Class Assemblies:
 3Daffodil—Friday 17th May; 3Saffron—Tuesday 21st May;
 3Dijon—Wednesday 22nd May; 3Canary—Thursday 23rd May
Walk to School Week: Monday 20th—Friday 24th May
Cultural Diversity Day: Tuesday 21st May
Book Fair: Tuesday 21st– Friday 24th May
Class Photographs: Friday 24th May
Half Term: Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May
Children return to school: Monday 3rd June

General Introduction:

We hope you had a lovely Easter break. We are looking forward to another exciting term in Year 3. Please have a read of all the exciting learning we have to look forward to this half term.

The current attendance for Year 3 is 95.9%
Our target for attendance is 97%

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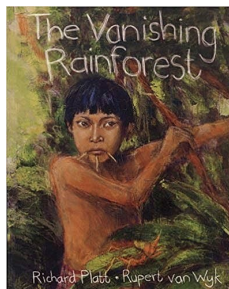
RE

The theme of our RE lessons will be 'Why is Water Symbolic?' Children will explore how water is used as a symbol in the Christian, Sikh, Muslim and Shinto faiths.



English

This half term, our English and Geography are closely linked. In class, we will be reading "The Vanishing Rainforest" by Richard Platt. It will introduce the children to new technical vocabulary and will be the inspiration for their own narrative stories. The children will complete a range of writing activities such as adventure stories and a newspaper report. Grammar and punctuation activities will be completed on a daily basis and are linked to the learning and books the children will be reading and writing about.



Maths

This half term, children will learn to add and subtract fractions as well as find a fraction of an amount.



The children will also learn about money. They will learn to convert pound and pence as well as solving addition and subtraction problems involving money.



The children will also will learn about Time. They will learn how to tell time to the nearest minute on a digital and analogue clock.



Please ensure your child visits TT Rockstars and continue to rehearse their multiplication and division facts for the 3,4 and 8 times tables.

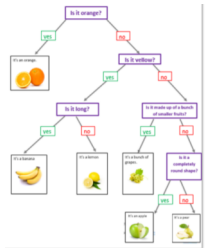
Art

This half term, the children will develop their drawing and painting skills through exploring the art work of the Brazilian artist Romero Britto. The children will learn about the importance of colour, shape and texture. The children will learn how he creates his pictures, and then create their own versions inspired by his work.



Computing

During computing lessons this half term, the children will continue to use Purple Mash. The children will be introduced to data bases where they will answer yes and no questions and create a database about a specific topic. We will continue to work on online safety and the importance of this.



Science

During this half term, the children will be learning about the life cycle of a plant and all its parts! They will study seed dispersal and how insects play such an important part in our lives. There will be an opportunity for children to plan and carry out their own investigation to explore what plants need most to grow.





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PSHE (including RHE)

During our PSHE sessions this half term, the children will be learning about relationships and the importance of these. The children will understand what a good friend is, showing respect, knowing how to help themselves and others when they are upset and know what a good relationship is.



Music

In our music lessons this half term the children will focus on pitch and performing. The children will be using percussion instruments and use this to improvise and create word rhythms. They will also revise some of the French they have learnt this year through their music lessons!



Geography

This half term, the children will learn about why rainforests are important to us. They will learn about the different layers, understand the importance of the rainforest for the world and the local environment, along with the impact humans can have. We will then compare the Amazon rainforest with the New Forest in the UK.



French

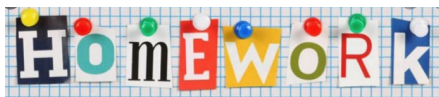
In French, the children will how to speak about their family and we will look at the story, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children will learn how to say different foods along with key vocabulary from the story.



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Home Learning

The children will continue to receive weekly English, Maths and spelling home learning which is set on a Friday on Class Dojo and is due in the following Wednesday. The children should be reading daily for at least 15 minutes and must write at least three comments a week into their reading diary. The children should also visit TT Rockstars where they can practice their times tables and division facts as well as MyMaths to complete online Maths activities linked to their learning in school.



PE

Indoor: During our indoor PE sessions, the children will be learning about athletics. The children will learn how to control their jumps, demonstrate agility and speed and learn to throw with speed, power and apply appropriate force.

Outdoor: During outdoor PE this half term, the children will be participating in a range of activities known as "Outdoor Adventure Activities" (OAA). Through this, the children will work together, solve problems, discuss strategies, lead and follow others.



How you can support your child at home

To further enhance your child's learning, you may wish to:

- read every night
- research to find out about rainforests around the world
- explore these countries on Google Earth
- take a walk in the park and try to identify the plants and flowers growing
- test children on their times tables and weekly spellings.

Please remember to visit Class Dojos each week to find home learning activities linked to your child's learning in school.