



Stanburn Primary School

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Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn 2022 - second half



Key events:

Anti-Bullying Week: Monday 14th November

Parents Evening: Tuesday 29th November and
Thursday 1st December

PTA Christmas Markets: Monday 12th December

Christmas Jumper Day: Wednesday 14th December

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 14th December

Christmas Production: Year 4 will be presenting the Christmas production 'Aladdin'. More information will be provided.

End of term: Friday 16th December finish at 2pm

Welcome to Year 4

We have had a fantastic start to the year and your children have settled in incredibly well. If you haven't already done so, please sign up to your child's class dojo account so you can access their class story. These are updated regularly throughout the week.

The school target for attendance is 97%.

Currently, Year 4's attendance this half term is
96.4%

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

How you can support your child at home:

Home learning will link to areas that have been covered during the week to help consolidate learning. Please ensure home learning is completed each week. The children will be given spellings to focus on for the week and they will be tested on these at the end of the week. Please ensure that your child is reading at home everyday to develop their reading and comprehension skills.

Please encourage your child to log on to TTRockstars daily. This will develop their quick recall of key facts. This is in preparation for the Multiplication Check later in the year.

Year 4

DT

The pupils will investigate and research different battery operated products. They will then go on to use and apply their developing knowledge in order to design a night light having a specific user in mind. The children will then be making and finally evaluating the nightlight that they have made. This unit will be linked to their previous Science unit about electricity.



MFL

At home - This topic is about saying where I live (house/flat/ in a city/ in the country side/ in the sea side/ in the mountains). Children will also name 9 different areas at home and will say where people/ animals are in the house.

Going to school - This topic is about the ways/ transports you take to go to school. Children will say how they go to school and name 9 ways to go to school.

RE

As part of Harrow's RE curriculum, children will be learning about the true meaning of Christmas. They will look at what Christmas means to Christians, and how it is celebrated both by Christians and in the secular world.



History

This half term we will be consolidating the topic of the Ancient Greeks. The children will create a non chronological report of the different areas that they have been taught to show their understanding of the topic.



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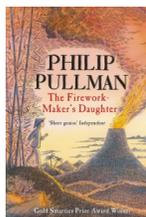
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English

This half term, Year 4 will be reading a text called 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. We will be focusing on developing children's vocabulary and understanding of the text. The children will learn how to follow, order and write instructions as well as develop their planning, writing and editing skills. The children will also have the opportunity to explore the personal thoughts and feelings of main characters in diary extracts.



Maths

This half term, we will be moving on to a unit of adding and subtracting; the children will be adding and subtracting using formal methods. They will be recapping adding 2 and 3 digit numbers and will be moving on to 4 digit numbers where there is more than one exchange. They will then use their knowledge of inverse operations to check their answers. The children will then apply their knowledge to solve two-step word problems involving addition and subtraction, deciding what operation to use. The children will then move onto multiplication and division.

Computing

In computing, the children will be taught how to use spreadsheets using 2Calculate. They will be formulating cells, using different formulas, creating charts and linking these skills to a real life example of budgeting.



PE

Outdoor PE will be focused on hockey. The children will be able to consistently perform basic hockey skills. They will be implementing the basic rules of hockey as well as developing tactics and applying them in competitive situations. Indoor PE will focus on gymnastics where the children will become increasingly competent and confident to perform skills more consistently. They will use compositional ideas in sequences.



Weekly Schedule

Home learning - Updated on MS teams on Friday and is due in the following Wednesday.

Reading diaries due in on Wednesday

PE Days:

Outdoor - Thursday

Indoor - Friday

Music

This half term the children will be taught to understand and explore how music is created, produced, and communicated. They will then learn structure, timbre, and appropriate musical notations.



Geography

This half term, the children will learn to name and describe the different climate zones. They will recognise that different flora and fauna are adapted for these climate zones. They will then be able to describe what climate change is and the impact it can have on the flora and fauna. The children will then carry out a field study where they will read and explain digital weather information collected in school.

PSHE (including RHE)

In PSHE this half term, the Jigsaw scheme theme is "Celebrating Differences". Pupils will learn about accepting others and including others when working and playing. They will also learn to identify instances of bullying.