

Year 1

Autumn 2 Term Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you had a great half term!



What your child will be learning this term:

Curriculum

Art – Wrapping paper

History – Why do we remember the 5th of November?

ICT – Using text and Internet Safety

RE – Christianity, what are the parables? What is the meaning of Christmas?

Science - Animals including humans

PE – Games and gymnastics

Music – Animals and weather

PSHE – Getting on and falling out

Numeracy – Counting, partitioning and calculating; addition and subtraction; measurements, including directions and length; doubling and halving; money.

Literacy– Exploring 3 texts and improving sentence structures in our writing. Our 3 books are:

Our Bones

Poetry books

Jolly Christmas Postman

WOW!

During our Jolly Christmas postman topic we will be directing and performing our own puppet shows. We would like to invite you to come and watch, in the morning on Monday 19th December. We will send home additional letters about this nearer the time.

Home Learning

We have updated the children's home learning books to include their learning opportunities for this term. They need to complete 5 or 6 items from this list. Well done to everyone who achieved this last term, we had some excellent projects back to school!

Reading: all children should be bringing home 3 book band books a week. They should read every day with the support of an adult for at least 10 minutes. Please could you write the date, title of the book and your initials to show how much reading your child is doing at home. Children will be changing their books once a week and will be notified which day they will be changing them. We expect the children to be responsible for changing their book and putting the parent comment book in the box provided. Alongside this children will be assigned interactive books on www.activelearnprimary.co.uk. Their log in details remain the same as last term.

The weekly numeracy home learning is also an online activity that follows up class learning that week. It is accessed the same way as the online reading. This will be set on a Thursday to be completed by the following Wednesday. If the homework is paper rather than online there will be a notification in the classroom door window indicating the task.

Parent's Evening

Parent's consultations are during the second week back, Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th November. Your child's class teacher will send home a slip for you to request a time slot. Please remember that these meetings are vital to ensure that you are aware of how your child is progressing and any issues that may have arisen.

Supporting your child's learning at home:

There are a number of good, child-friendly websites, including www.topmarks.co.uk which is used frequently in school. This website covers all areas of the curriculum.

Phonics – www.phonicsplay.com This website is extremely useful for supporting your child's reading and phonics skills. In June children in Year 1 nationally take part in a phonics screening check which assess their phonics skills.

School Rules

Stanwell Fields has now adopted a new school rule: Respect.

Uniform	
Boys	Girls
Grey trousers or shorts Royal blue sweatshirt White school shirt or polo shirt Black or grey socks	Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan White school shirt or polo shirt Blue and white school dress in summer Black, grey or white socks or tights
Our school tie is optional Black school shoes that fasten securely with a low heel.	
PE White T-shirt, royal blue shorts, plimsolls or trainers. A tracksuit may be worn in the winter for outside lessons.	

Please ensure all uniform including P.E kit is **named**. Misplaced items can then quickly be returned. No jewellery, including earrings, should be worn to school except for religious reasons. Please write to the headteacher if you wish to request this.

All children with long hair should wear their hair tied back with plain blue, black, brown hair accessories. Please leave all pretty hair accessories for home wear – thank you.

PE

Hedgehogs: Tuesday Morning and Wednesday Afternoon

Squirrels: Monday Morning and Wednesday Afternoon.

Please ensure that your child's PE Kit is in school from Monday to Friday each week, as there may be some changes to timetables.



Water Bottles

Tests have shown that regular access to water is essential for good learning. Water bottles can be purchased from the school office or you can bring one of your own in. Children should NOT bring juice or squash in. **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS IN A WATER BOTTLE EVERY DAY.**

Attendance

If your child is to achieve and fulfill their potential, they must be in school on time everyday. Your child's target for attendance is 95%.