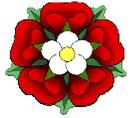




Year 4 Summer 1 Newsletter



What your child will be learning this term:

Topic

Our topic for this half term is 'The Tudors', this will include:

- Who were the Tudors? What was Henry VIII like? Where did Henry VIII live? Why did he have so many wives and what happened to them? How did people live in the Tudor times?

Numeracy

We will be developing our knowledge of mental and written methods for solving multiplication and division problems; Place value in 5 digit numbers; Fractions, decimals and their equivalent percentages; Position and direction (shape and space) and statistics.

Literacy

This half-term we will be reading *Christophe's Story*. A story about a young boy who has left his country due to war and takes refuge in the UK. The children will be emphasising with this character and writing from the perspective of a child who has had to leave their country because of war.

Science

We will be investigating 'Habitats' and 'Changes within our local habitats'.

ICT

This half-term the topic is 'Scratch' children will be creating their own animation

PE

This term Year 4 will focus on gymnastics, dance and athletics.

PSHE

The focus for PSHE this half-term is 'Relationships'

RE

This half-term our RE topic is 'Milestones', children will gain an understanding of religious ceremonies within Christianity.

Home Learning

Year 4 children are expected to complete approximately 1 ½ hours of home learning per week. This time is made up through a mixture of the following.

Daily reading - It is important that your child reads each day at home and that an adult hears them read. They should read for at least 10 minutes and a signature and comment should be made in their contact book about how they got on.

Topic – Children will be required to complete one piece of homework from a selection of activities related to the Tudors.

Numeracy – One online task to complete each week.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and expected to be handed in on the following Wednesday. Home learning vastly benefits and adds to the children's learning inside the classroom, and we strongly encourage children to fully participate.

Home/School Contact

All children should have a book bag in which to carry their reading book and homework.

We ask that you stay in contact on a daily basis through our home/school contact book.

Behaviour

We have an Assertive Discipline Behaviour Policy at Stanwell Fields which lays down very clearly for each child the behaviour which is expected and the rewards which will be given. We have our behaviour system in

place, whereby all children begin on the sunshine, one warning means they move down to the white cloud, another warning moves them down to the grey cloud (which means time out in another classroom) and another warning moves them down to the grey cloud with lightening which results in a detention. Alternatively, if a child shows outstanding behaviour they will move up from the sunshine to the rainbow and their parents/carers will receive a Superstar note. If a child receives a detention, you will be informed either in the playground after school or by phone the same day.

Our Golden Rule at Stanwell Fields is ‘Respect’, which applies to every aspect of school life.

| Uniform | |
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| 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, wipe clean 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 is named. Misaid items can then quickly be returned. No jewellery should be worn to school except for religious reasons. Please write to the head teacher if you wish to request this.

PE

Both classes will have PE on Wednesday afternoons. Lions have PE on Tuesday mornings and Tigers have PE on Thursday mornings. Once per half term, every year group has an afternoon of Sports Focus where an external sporting company comes into school to teach specialised sports lessons.

Parent Support in School

If any parents would like to offer some of their time and volunteer in school then please speak to Mrs. Barlow and ask for a DBS form.

Attendance

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

We thank you very much for your continued support and co-operation this academic year.