

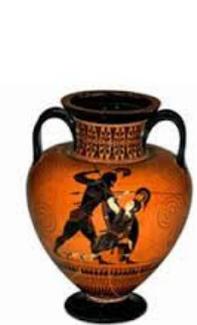
Year 5 Autumn Term Newsletter

What your child will be learning this term:

- History** Our Topic this half term will be Ancient Greece. Children will be encouraged to research the topic at home and bring in any related information or items that they wish to share with the class.
- Numeracy** At the start of year 5, we will be ensuring that the children have a firm, foundation in number. We will go on to look at calculations, solving real life problems, shape and space, measures and data handling.
- Literacy** In Literacy we will be learning about Greek Myths to tie into our topic. We will also learn about explanation texts with a link to Wallace and Gromit and we will write our own adventure stories.
- Science** This half-term our topic will be 'Earth and Space'. We will be learning about the sizes and positions of the planets in the solar system. We will also look at the movement of the earth and the moon.
- Computing** Our first unit will be 'Coding' using Espresso software, an important part of the new National Curriculum.
- PE** This half-term the children will be doing Gymnastics and Netball. The children will also have two afternoon of Football Focus this term.
- Art & DT** These subjects will be linked to our History topic learning. We will be making Ancient Greek masks out of paper mache.
- PSHE** Our topic for this half term will be New Beginnings.
- RE** We will be learning about the stories of Christianity.

Trips / Visitors / Experiences for the term

- ❖ Year 5 will be leading the assembly for Harvest, time and day will be forwarded separately and parents will be welcome to attend.
- ❖ We are currently researching trips to support the children's learning and will inform you when these have been organised.



Home Learning

It is important that your child reads each day at home and that an adult hears them read. They should read for at least 15 minutes and a signature and comment should be made in their contact book about how they got on.

We will also continue with our Home Learning projects which will be based on children researching information for themselves and managing their own time.

Maths homework is given out on Thursday and is due on the following Thursday. If children do not complete their homework at home, they will have to complete it during school break times.

A lunchtime homework club will run on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. If it is difficult to find the time to get homework completed at home, your child is very welcome to attend on any of these days.

Home/School Contact

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

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.

School Rule

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

All classes have then taken this and adapted to create a set of classroom rules.



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 is named. Mislaidd items can then quickly be returned. No jewellery should be worn to school except for religious reasons. Please write to the headteacher if you wish to request this.

PE for both classes will be on Wednesday morning and Thursday afternoon.

Parent Support in School

If any parents would like to offer some of their time and volunteer in school then please speak to the office staff.

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%

It is of real benefit to the children's learning if they arrive on time each day.