

# Year 5 Autumn Term Newsletter

## What your child will be learning this term:

- Geography** This term we will be looking at the topic “Where does all our stuff come from?” This will involve the children looking at a variety of countries and how trade works between them. They will be using map skills for this unit.
- Numeracy** We will be covering multiplication, division and fractions this term. We will continue to build on children’s understanding of number, with a focus on both written and mental methods.
- Literacy** In Literacy we are focusing on narrative writing this half term. We are currently reading ‘Friend or Foe’ which is a story set in WW2. At the end of the half term we will link our learning to ‘The Polar Express’.
- Science** This half-term our topic will be ‘Forces’. We will be learning about gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction. The children will undertake a range of practical activities to support their understanding of these concepts.
- Computing** In computing we are learning about multi-media presentations. We will be using google slides in order to create moving presentations.
- PE** This half term the children will be doing Tag Rugby and Dance. The children will also have one afternoon of Football Focus this half term.
- DT** We will be linking DT this half term to our Geography topic. The children will design and make their own cereal bar recipes.
- PSHE** Our topic for this half term will be Getting on and Falling Out.
- RE** We will be learning about creation stories and the importance of light at Christmas.

## Experiences for the term

- ❖ Year 5 will be doing a Christmas concert this half term.
- ❖ Parents are invited to join us for the last hour of our ‘Wow day’ on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November from 2-3pm. The children will be creating a ‘living museum’ about products from around the world and would love to share their learning with you.



### 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

<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>
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.	
<b>PE</b> 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. Mislaid 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.