

Year 5 Spring 1 Term Newsletter

What your child will be learning this term:

Curriculum

Project: Our project for this half term is titled "Pharaohs". It will focus on the Egyptian Empire and will cover work on the Geography of Egypt and the Nile as well. Through this topic we will also complete art sessions, DT and music. For science this term we will have a focus week looking specifically at preservation.



In Numeracy, we will be working on multiplication and Fractions. Key maths words we are reinforcing are **factors, multiples, product, divisor, divisible by, denominator, numerator, fraction and quotient**. As always times tables and division facts are key features; especially as we use this knowledge to test any rules we apply in maths. Rapid recall is essential. Please ensure your child practises their times tables on a daily basis for a few minutes each day. Suggested method would be: x 2, x10, x5, x3, x4, x6, x8, x9, x7, x11, x12 up to 12x 12. We will also be spending one week on statistics later in the term. Further information regarding the expectations for maths in Year 5 can be found on the following link.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-mathematics-programmes-of-study/national-curriculum-in-england-mathematics-programmes-of-study#year-5-programme-of-study>

Currently in Literacy we are studying the book "The Mummy's Finger" and over the next three weeks will explore and adapt the storyline to make our own versions of this tale. In the remainder of our Literacy units this half term we will be looking at reports and writing our own travel guides using Egypt as one of the destinations. We will use research skills and presentation to produce these guides.

During R.E. this term we will be looking at Hinduism and what it means to be a Hindu.

Trips / Visitors / Experiences for the term

- Thursday 8th February- Pharaohs big finish



Home Learning

All children should have a bag in which to carry their reading book and homework. Ideally this should be a sealed wallet that keeps these objects clean and tidy.

Reading 15 minutes per day.

Times Tables 5 minutes per day

Spelling 10 minutes per day .

In addition to this home learning tasks and specific maths and literacy tasks.

Home/School Contact

We ask that if you wish to contact us you do this through our home/school contact books or make an appointment through the school office. These books must be in school daily.

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

Our school rule is: 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. 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.

We ask that children have their PE kits in school Monday through to Friday.

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 96% for the year. This equates to only a handful of days off during the course of the whole year. Please also ensure your child is on time to school each day.

