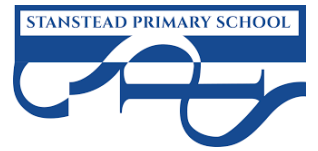


Welcome back!



Welcome back after a lovely summer break in the sunshine – I hope you all had a wonderful, well-deserved rest. I am really excited for the first term in year 1 and I know the children are really going to enjoy the learning we have planned. During our transition day together, we decided on a class name. It was decided that we would be called the Shooting Stars Class.

Enquiry

Our new enquiry question for the first half of the autumn term is “**What makes Stanstead Special?**” Within this we will be learning all about our amazing school. We will be having a big focus on Geography as this is our driver subject during the first half of autumn term. We will be exploring what makes a city, town and village and if these surround Stanstead Nursery and Primary School.

English

In English this half term we are going to write a Non-chronological report about our school and why it is special. This links closely to our enquiry question and gives the children the opportunity to display what they have learnt through their enquiry into their writing. The children will be learning about letters and writing one ourselves to Mrs Smith about something we are thankful for within school.

Phonics and reading

New to this year we are starting a new phonics programme called “**No Nonsense Phonics**”. We as a school are really excited to introduce this and the children have already started to spot familiar sounds they have previously been taught. Within phonics the children will be learning new sounds, have greater opportunities to read and practise their handwriting and spelling skills within class.

We will be focusing on a new sound over two days to embed learning further. Over these two days a practice sheet will be sent home with your child. Please check your children’s book bag for this sheet and encourage the additional practice.

Maths

In maths this half term we have lots of exciting learning taking place. The children will now have a Power Maths book which they are all excited to be starting. We are going to be looking at numbers to 10, number bonds to 10, addition and subtraction within 10, 2D and 3D shapes and numbers to 20 during this half term.

Science

This half term we will be looking at the basic parts of the Human body and learning about the five senses. We will also be exploring the four seasons: Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter within science this half term. Looking at how these differ and what patterns the children can identify within the different seasons.

PE

During this half term we will be learning skills to support us playing tennis. We will be learning different throwing techniques and how to work in pairs and small groups during sporting games. Our PE lesson will be on a Thursday afternoon, so please send your child in PE kit on this day.

The school PE kit is a plain white t-shirt or polo shirt, blue/black short or jogging bottoms and plimsolls or trainers.

I would like to take this opportunity to say how excited I am to be working with your children again this year and I look forward to seeing the progress that they will all make within Shooting Stars Class.

Any questions, please contact me through
Class Dojo 😊

Miss Jenkins