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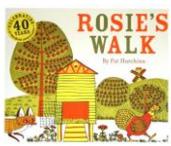
Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn 1



Welcome back!

Welcome back everyone! It is so lovely to have the children all together in school again. We have already made a great start in Year 1. Our first Enquiry question is "What makes Stanstead special?" where we will be learning all about our school and the local area, which includes making maps and learning the compass directions.



English and Phonics



In English we have read *Rosie's Walk*, drawn our own story map and used it to help us retell the story. We will continue to link our English learning with our Enquiry, by designing our own treasure maps and writing instructions as to how to find the treasure. As we get closer to the half term holiday we will look at the book *Funnybones* and have a go at writing our own version of the story.

In Phonics we will be recapping a lot of the sounds that we learnt during lockdown so that we are all confident with them before we move onto learning any new sounds.



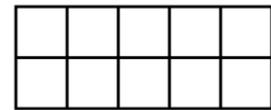
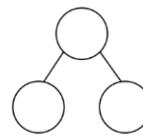
Maths



This term we will be exploring numbers to 10, to ensure we know them inside out.

This is part of our Maths Mastery way of learning, which encourages us to become flexible and creative problem-solvers.

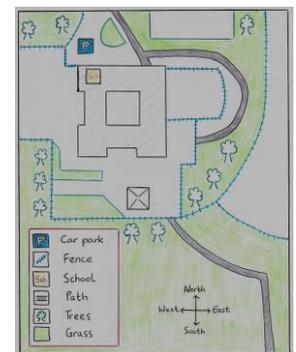
We will be sorting groups of real life objects and learning different ways to make 10. We will use new strategies such as part-whole models and 10 frames to help us do this



Curriculum Topic - Geography

As mentioned, our first Enquiry question is "What makes Stanstead special?" which is driven by the subject of Geography.

We will be learning all about our school and the local area, learning the compass directions and designing our own maps of the classroom.



Computing

We will start to use Purple Mash this term, learning about online safety and beginning to do some simple coding. Alongside this we will continue learning how to use computers to make pictures, linking in with our Art lessons.



PSHE

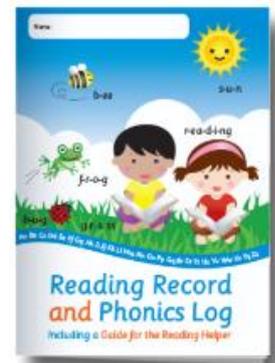
We have a new PSHE scheme called Jigsaw, which helps the children learn to be mindful of their feelings and behaviour, as well as the feelings and behaviours of others. We will also be discussing the changes that have happened in school and the wider community due to Coronavirus restrictions.



Reading at home

As a school we have invested in a brand new reading book system which is divided into: Pink A, Pink B, Red A, Red B, Yellow, Blue, Green, Orange and Turquoise. The new book system is fully phonetically decodable and banded slightly different to the previous books.

We aim for the children to be at 95% accuracy before moving onto the next book so please do not worry if your child appears to be on a different book band than before. We will regularly assess which sounds they're fully confident with in order to ensure they have the correct books.



P.E



P.E. lessons will be on Thursday afternoons with Miss Carpenter.

We will be learning how to throw and catch, building towards learning some team games.

Important Dates

Tuesday 6th October - Individual Photographs

Friday 9th October - Inset Day

Friday 16th October - Last day of term

Thank you for your continued support!

Class Teacher

Miss Carpenter

Acting Headteacher

Mrs Lindsay