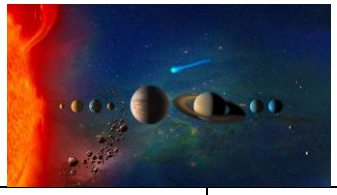
Year 1 Autumn 2 Newsletter

Teachers
Mrs Rukin: Monday and Tuesday
Mrs Hayward: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Teaching Assistants
Mrs Rashid

Our theme this half-term is **'Space'**



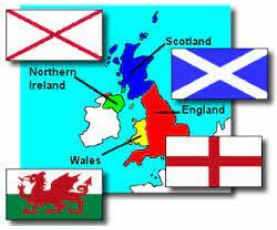
English



We will start the half-term by using our inference skills to look at a picture from the book *Man on the Moon* and try to work out what Bob does for a job. We will then continue to focus on our basic sentence skills: using capital letters, full stops, correct letter formation, sitting our writing on the line, and leaving finger spaces. We will also revisit questions and question marks. After *Man on the Moon*, we will be using a short animation called *La Luna* to think about describing words ending with the suffixes **-er** and **-est**.

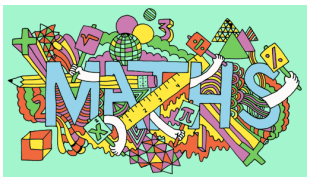
Geography

We will start by learning the 4 countries of the UK (England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland) and their corresponding flags. Then we will be looking at the 7 continents and 5 oceans of the World.
We will be using songs and rhymes to help the children remember. We will share these with you as we learn them.





Maths

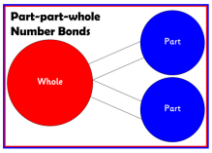


The children have really embraced their 'power maths' books and worked really hard in maths last half-term. This half-term we will still be focusing on addition and subtraction within 10 and hopefully move onto 2D and 3D shape.

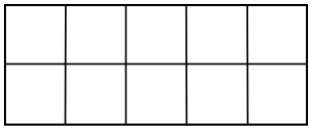
We will be…

- **Writing number sentences (eg 3+2=5)**
- **Fact families (5+3=8, 3+5=8, 8=5+3, 8=3+5)**
- **Number bonds/missing numbers (4 + _ = 10)**
- **Naming 2D and 3D shapes**

These are models we use in class to support the children's learning…



part-whole model



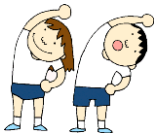
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Science



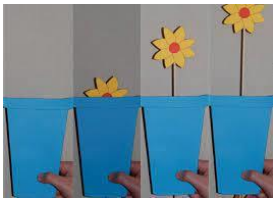
We will be looking at different kinds of materials. The children will be labelling objects around school to show which material they are made out of. Then we find out which materials would be the best to design a spacesuit by carrying out some simple tests.

PE



Indoor PE- Thursday
Outdoor PE- Tuesday
Please ensure your child comes into school wearing the correct kit. Plain black bottoms (no logos), plain white round neck t-shirt, school jumper if needed and suitable footwear. Please make sure children can fasten their own shoes independently and that all earrings are removed.

DT

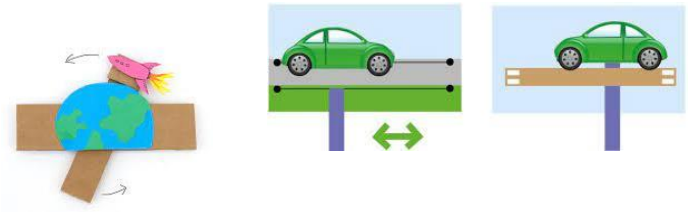


As we move towards Christmas this half-term we will be using all that we've learnt in DT to make MOVING CHRISTMAS CARDS! Wow!

Home Learning

The most valuable way you can help your child at home is by reading their reading book with them. Ideally, this would be every day (even if it's just a couple of pages), but as we know, life can be hectic, so we aim for children to read at least three times a week.
This half-term, we will be introducing homework

The children will choose whether to include a lever, a slider or a rotating wheel. We will be using scissors and paper fasteners and describing how our card moves.



folders to the children.
There will be two parts to the homework: spelling and maths facts.
The spelling activities will follow a *look, cover, say, write, check* format.
The maths section will focus on maths facts that we aim for the children to know 'off by heart'. There may be some 'fill in the blanks' activities to complete first, after which the aim is for the children to recall the facts quickly and confidently.
The first homework will be sent home on **Monday 9th November**. Please return the homework folder every Monday thereafter.
If your child can complete the homework easily, that is a good thing, please don't worry. The spellings and maths facts will become more challenging as we move through the half-term.
Thank you so much for your support with this. As always, if you have any questions at all, please just ask.

Photos

As we are learning about the four countries of the UK and the seven continents of the world, we would love to know if the children have visited any of these. If yes, please just send in **one** photo for each country or continent. We can then share and display these in class. As usual, please either send in a printed photo or email the photo to the the school office at school.office@stanningleyprimary.com
Thank you!

SPECIAL DATES:

Children in need- Friday 13th November
Peace week – wb Monday 16th November
Odd socks day – Monday 16th November (children wear odd socks to begin Peace Week)
Parents' Evening- Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th November
Christmas Fair- Wednesday 2nd December
Christmas performance Year 1 and Year 2- Monday 14th December (2.15pm)
Christmas service at the church and Christmas lunch – Wednesday 16th December
Christmas party – Thursday 17th December

We are looking forward to another great half-term!
Mrs Rukin, Mrs Hayward and Mrs Rashid