



Stanbridge Primary  
School Term2  
November 2017

## Year 1 Newsletter

### Welcome back to school!

We hope you had a fantastic half term and we are now looking forward to starting our new topic 'Heroes and Villains!'

We have lots of exciting activities planned and we will be learning about heroes and villains from the past as well as existing ones.

In Science, Year 1 will be exploring and testing materials and in literacy we will be reading the story of Traction Man.

With Christmas on the horizon, we will also be busy practising for our KS1 Christmas performance. We look forward to seeing you there.



### Reminders to Parents and Children

- Don't forget to book in for a Learning Meeting with your child's class teacher. These meetings will be taking place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 1.30 - 7pm. You will receive notification when the online booking system opens or you can call the office if you do not have internet access.
- In the colder weather, please make sure your child has the appropriate clothing to play outside. A jumper and jogging bottoms can be worn for PE.
- Please help us take care of our library books! Several of our books have been damaged when borrowed to read at home. Use a book bag or reading folder to keep your books safe!

### Our class topic highlights...

The reverse of this letter shows you our curriculum overview for Term 2. Some of the exciting highlights the children can look forward to in their learning are: the history of Bonfire Night and the importance of Remembrance Sunday. Additionally we will be learning about the famous pirate Blackbeard and his infamous deeds!



### Class routines

The children's reading books will continue to be changed once a week. Please remember to write in their home school diary each time you listen to them read at home.

PE continues to alternate on Tuesdays and Fridays. Homework sharing will take place on Thursdays. Weekly spellings will be sent home on a Friday.

### Dates for your Diary

**This is a busy term! Please add these dates to your diary...**

- Parent Learning Meetings - Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Nov and Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30 - 7pm
- PTA Christmas Fair - Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Nov, 11am - 2pm.
- Deadline for Christmas shoebox appeal - Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Children in Need wear spots day - Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Parents in Partnership Meeting - Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov, 9-10am
- EYFS Nativity - Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Dec, 9.30am and Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Dec, 5pm
- KS1 Nativity - Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2pm and Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec, 5.30pm
- KS2 Carol Concert - Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec, 6pm, Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2pm, Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec, 3.30pm
- Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day - Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> December

### Literacy cross curricular links :

- I can identify the main characters in a story.
- I can order the events of a story.
- I can retell a story using actions.
- I can say what features an information book should have.

### Maths cross curricular links :

- I can order the months of the year.
- I can tell the time to the hour and half past.
- I can collect data, make a pictogram and answer questions about favourite heroes.

### Geography and History:

- I can learn about heroes and villains of the past.
- I can write facts about them using time words.
- I can talk about the importance of Remembrance Sunday.
- I can make a pirate map using geographical vocabulary.

## Heroes and Villains Term 2

### Science :

- I can identify and name a variety of everyday materials.
- I can describe the simple physical properties of materials.

### Computing:

- **I can identify different technologies at home and at school and talk about their use.**

### PHSE:

I can talk about my feelings and how to stay healthy.

### P.E:

- I can explore a variety of ways to jump and land.

### Art:

I can use paint to explore different shades of primary colours.

### Religious Education:

- I can talk about the Christmas story
- I can talk about what it means to be a Christian.

### Music:

- I can listen to, appraise and learn songs relating to Christmas.
- I can perform a range of Christmas songs to an audience.