

# STOPSLEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

# CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



## YEAR 5 – SUMMER 1

### Maths

The children will be learning more about angles, including how to name and measure them. They will also be looking at co-ordinates in the first quadrant. We will be focussing on telling the time every Friday. You can help at home by ensuring your child can convert between digital and analogue times.

### English

The children will be using the traditional tale of 'Hansel and Gretel' to help us develop our writing skills, such as character and setting description. We will also be learning about newspaper reports. You can help at home by encouraging your child to read at home every day for twenty minutes and ask them questions about what they have read.

### Computing

The children will be learning about databases. In this topic we will find out what a database is and we will design and create our own databases to use within our lessons. The children will be using iPads and laptops to design their databases.

### Science

The children will learn about Living Things and their Habitats. We will be learning that living things can be grouped in different ways based on their features. We will be learning how scientists use classification systems to sort plants, animals and microorganisms.

### PE

The children will be developing their skills in athletics through a variety of different sporting activities. They will develop their speed, accuracy and agility within these sessions. We will also learn the skills and tactics involved in the team game Rounders. Our PE is on a Friday. The children need to come to school in their PE kit on this day.

## History

The children will complete a local area study. We will be learning about the first settlers in the area and finding out about how Luton has developed and changed over time.

## Geography

This half term we will not be studying Geography but we will be revisiting some of our previously learnt Geography skills during our local area study of Luton. We will explore what natural resources are used within Luton and whether they are imported or exported.

## Art / DT

The children will be developing their understanding of mechanical systems. They will make simple mechanical systems, inspired by animals, and will evaluate the effectiveness of these by writing their own reviews about them.

## PSHE

The children will explore Economic Wellbeing, where they will be exploring 'needs over wants', learning how to manage a weekly budget as well as recognising risks and considerations when spending money online.

## Music

The children will be using the programme 'Charanga' to develop our understanding of rhythm, pulse and beats. We will be playing the Recorder and the Glockenspiel instruments. We will also be preparing and practising our music for our Year 5 music concert, which takes place in May.

## French

The children will be learning French vocabulary for a range of different foods. They will learn phrases to use to ask for specific foods in a restaurant and they will learn to write these same phrases in French.