

# STOPSLEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

# CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



## YEAR 6 – SUMMER 1

### Maths

The children will be revising all the topics they have covered so far in Key Stage 2. They will be focussing on their reasoning and problem-solving skills, working out how to find the key information from a question they are given. You can help at home by asking your child to explain to you the different methods they have been using.

### English

The children will be writing a variety of different text types. They will be focussing on getting the basic rules of writing consistent: correct tense use; using punctuation effectively; checking back for errors with sentence structure; etc. You can help at home by encouraging your child to read each night to keep their fluency strong.

### Computing

The children will be using the micro-bits to help progress their understanding of programming. They will be able to use the code to help program different settings on the micro-bits.

### Science

The children will be looking at the topic of 'Living Things and their Habitats'. They will be focussing on their scientific skills, enquiry and on investigation. They will be looking at how to classify plants and animals using a classification system.

### PE

The children will be looking at a variety of different athletic skills. They will be learning how best to position their bodies when running, throwing and jumping. Our PE is on a Thursday. The children need to come to school in their kit on this day.

## History

History is not usually covered in summer 1 as we focus on teaching Geography for this half term. However, the children will spend some time looking back at prior learning and rehearsing History skills and knowledge that they have covered earlier this year.

## Geography

This half term we will be focussing our Geography learning on the study of Japan. Here, we will investigate why Japan is prone to earthquakes and what causes these.

## Art / DT

The children will be linking our Art with our geography theme of Japan. We will be studying different Japanese art techniques, e.g watercolours, clay models and manga. We will also look at what inspires Japanese artists.

## PSHE

The children will begin looking at transition activities as they prepare to move up to their High School. They will be able to discuss their feelings around transition and will look at different strategies they can use to cope with the move.

## Music

The children will be learning about percussion instruments. They will be taught by Luton Music Service. They will explore playing instruments to a beat and keeping in rhythm. They will begin to explore reading music and applying this skill to a final performance.

## French

The children will be learning about the different cities in France. They will be able to construct, speak and write basic sentences about the distances between the cities.