



# Stillness Junior School

“Our “Best At all Times”



## *Weekly Round Up Page – Week 1*

Dear Stillness Families

Thank you to everyone who attended our Welcome Meetings this week. I hope you found them useful but if you have any further questions or concerns, please email your child's class teacher via their year group email address.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes.

**Mrs M Nichol - Headteacher**

### Spellings

The spelling lists for each year group have now been put onto the school website. You will find these documents in Curriculum & Assessment - English. We have also included the statutory spellings lists for Y3/Y4 and Y5/Y6.

**Miss M Rooney – English Lead**

### Y3 News

The children are really beginning to settle into Key Stage 2 and are already showing lots of strong effort across their learning curriculum.

In Maths, we have been looking at place value representing numbers to 100 and 1000, using addition and counting using number lines. In English we have been looking at portal stories and the children were introduced to the class portal story modal, 'Elf Road'. The children were all very enthusiastic to discover that their new topic is 'Tribal Tales'. They will be learning about British prehistory from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.

We are looking forward to planning our own portal stories next week in English and can't wait to work together to come up with exciting and rich language to describe our settings and characters. In

Maths, the children will be continuing their place value learning by practising representing and recognising numbers to 1000, as well as partitioning these numbers by each digit's value. In Science, we will be learning more about food labels and what they can tell us about nutritional value. We will be beginning our learning about Buddhism in RE. Each class worked very hard to listen carefully to instructions on how to use the Chromebooks safely and effectively this week and we look forward to using them across our subjects on Computing Tuesdays this term. If you have any questions/queries, you can contact your child's teacher via our Y3 email:

[y3@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:y3@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk)

#### **Don't forget:**

- Y3 have PE on Fridays. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit (black or navy blue shorts, tracksuit bottoms or sports skirt, a white polo shirt or t-shirt and black trainers).
- Y3 children will be given a book to read with their grown up every week. Please ensure you read with them and return the book.

Have a lovely weekend! **Miss L West – Y3 Lead**

### Y4 News

Welcome to Y4! The children have all had a great start to the year and have been getting to know their new classes and teachers. We have spent this week introducing the new topics that we will be teaching in the autumn term. In English, we have been using variety of leaflets to identify the key features of a persuasive leaflet. Next week, we will have a go at writing our own version of a leaflet about a theme park. In Maths, we have been using counters to partition 3-digit numbers into hundreds, tens and ones. Next week, we will extend our place value knowledge up to 10,000. In Science, we have planned an investigation to answer the question "Can different drinks cause tooth decay?" Throughout next week, we will observe eggs in a variety of different liquids and record our findings.

The Y4 teachers are so proud of how well the children have settled into their new classrooms. We can't wait for the exciting year ahead!

#### **Don't forget:**

- PE is every Thursday. Children can wear the school PE kit into school (white t-shirt, navy blue/black shorts or trousers and black shoes)

**Miss M Rooney – Y4 Lead**

### Y5 News

It has been a lovely start to the term with this week being our first full week back! The children have settled back in wonderfully and are getting back into routine nicely. In English, we have started our first unit Myths, where we have looked at the second labour of Hercules and used this to create our own mythical creature and plan our own story. Next week, we will write and publish our own myth and we cannot wait to read them! In Maths, we have been looking at place value, where we have looked at rounding and comparing numbers. Next week, we will recap Roman numerals, and look at comparing numbers to 1 million. Do not forget to practice your times tables weekly as these are a fundamental part of most mathematical concepts. Also this week, we have had the pleasure of having a Tottenham Coach in for PE, to help us with our football technique. This will run up until October half term. Finally, our Science topic is all about space and we have looked at theories for the shape of the Earth and looked closely at the planets in our solar system.

#### **Don't forget:**

- Y5 Email - [Y5@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:Y5@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk)
- PE Mondays - you may come in wearing your PE kit (correct PE kit only)
- Our first school tip is Wednesday, 27th September 2023. If you would like to come please email the Y5 inbox.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and see you Monday!

**Miss A Curtis – Y5 Lead**

### Y6 News

Welcome back! We have been so impressed with how all the children have returned to school. It has been lovely getting to know everyone during the first two weeks whilst settling down and completing our baseline assessments. These assessments are for our records and we look forward to sharing this information with you during our Parent-Teacher meetings later in the term. In addition to the assessments, the children have enjoyed starting our new Topic – A Child's War - where we found out how Hitler annexed Austria and Czechoslovakia and broke his promise after signing the Munich Agreement. We have also started our complimentary English unit, where we will be using The Piano by Aiden Gibbons for stimulus as we delve deep into the emotions of WWII. Next week, we will continue to look at place value in maths, recognise and draw circuit symbols in science and understand subjunctive form in SPaG!

Many thanks to all the parents who attended our Welcome meeting, it was wonderful to see so many smiley faces (it is always nerve racking talking in front of adults!).

Please make sure you are encouraging your child to read every day for 30 minutes and practice the weekly spellings. Have an exciting weekend!

#### **Don't forget:**

Both classes are off to the Imperial War Museum on October 10th. If you would like to volunteer to help with the trip, please email the Y6 team.

**Mrs L Threadgold - Y6 Lead**