

# **Stillness Junior School**

"Our "Best At all Times"



# Weekly Round Up Page - Week 7



Dear Stillness Families

I hope you all had a lovely half term break.

For those of you celebrating Bonfire Night this weekend, stay safe and have fun.

Best wishes.

# Mrs M Nichol - Headteacher

#### Y3 News

Y3 have come back from their half time break full of vigour for learning! They have been off to a great start, from exploring rocks to participating in a Tottenham Coaches lead PE lesson and lots in between. In Maths next week, children will be continuing to consolidate their column addition and subtraction methods as well as learning how to check their calculations with the inverse or estimate their answers by rounding numbers. In English, we will be getting immersed in a suspense story by participating in some drama, speaking activities and short burst writing to help us truly understand the art of suspense writing. In Science, we will be kicking off our Rocks' unit by identifying their different features as 'Rock Detectives' to learn more about igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary. In PSHE we will be discussing families and the differences and conflicts that can sometimes arise. In Computing we will be continuing our 'Word Processing' unit by looking closely at how to create capital letters. In topic we will be further exploring everyday life in the Stone Age.

#### Don't forget:

- To clarify, the dress-up day for curriculum week will take place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November.
- Please see below for some key dates coming up.
- We do ask that you send your child in with a packed lunch for their school trip day.

If you would like to volunteer to come with your child's class we are very keen for helpers still. Please email us at: y3@stillness js.lew is ham.sch.uk

20 <sup>th</sup> November	Curriculum Week	Children can come to school dressed up as
	Dress up Day	something inspired by the Stone Age, Bronze Age
		or Iron Age.
21st November	Devonshire Nature Reserve:	Gladiator Class 9am – 1pm (Packed Lunch)
	Tribal Tales	Netherby Class 12:30pm – 2:45pm (Packed
		Lunch)
22nd November	Devonshire Nature Reserve:	Brightling Class 9am – 1:00pm
	Tribal Tales	(Packed Lunch)

Have a great weekend!

Ms. L West - Y3 Lead

#### Y5 News

It has been a great first week back after half-term. The children have settled back in nicely and have been eager to learn. We have started a new unit of work in English that is focused on 'recounts' and links with our topic of Ancient Greek myths. Next week the children will be writing a diary entry from the perspective of an ancient Greek athlete. In Maths, we have started our new unit of fractions, focusing on finding equivalent fractions. Next week we will continue on fractions but looking at converting mixed numbers to improper fractions and vice versa.

The children particularly enjoyed science this week, where they conducted an investigation which explored how solutes dissolve in water. They worked in groups, recording their results and then wrote up their investigation in full, evaluating different aspects of it. In PE, we have started our new half-term unit of gymnastics. This week we focused on jumps and leaps and the importance of posture and balance when performing different types of jumps. Next week we will be learning and performing a range of rolls.

Well done Y5, keep up the focus next week!

# Don't forget:

- New homework is released on google chrome every Monday. The arithmetic is completed on paper and the comprehension on the google document.
- Keep reading! If you need any recommendations of books to take out please ask your teacher or me ②
- TT Rockstars

All the best.

Ms O Gayer - Y5 Teacher

#### **Poppies**

We will be supporting the Poppy Appeal again this year.

Children are welcome to purchase a poppy from the school office at morning break time from Monday onwards.

#### Hire our Facilitie

We are delighted to offer our facilities for hire during the School holidays and outside normal school hours (5.30pm - 10pm) and facilities within the school, including the sports hall.

Our lettings are open 7 days a week with closures only during bank holidays and extended opening hours during school holidays.

We also have a school mini bus available for hire that can seat up to 17 passengers.

If you are interested in the above, please contact Kim Kennedy on kim@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk.

#### Y4 News

We have had a great learning week in Y4. The children all came back ready to learn and quickly got back into the school routine. In English, the children had a chance to self-evaluate the fantasy stories they wrote before half term. Next week, we will begin learning about biographies and the key features used to create one. In Maths, we have done a whole week of using the column method to subtract 4digit numbers with multiple exchanges. It has been great to see the Y4s grow in confidence with using this written method. Next week, we will have a week learning about the area of a shape. In Topic, we were very fortunate to be joined by an inspirational guest speaker who has taken part in a number of marathons and competitions around the world. Grace spoke about how she overcame challenges when competing in some of the world's toughest environments. The children asked some fantastic questions and had an opportunity to think about their own goals (however big or small) that they want to achieve. A big thank you to the Y4 parent who helped us arrange this.

Miss M Rooney - Y4 Lead

# Y6 News

Nothing says 'We're back in full swing' like a trip in the first week!

We explored, we were engaged and we enjoyed blowing the lizards off the table with a leaf blower! Thank you to all the parents who joined us and made it such a memorable day. In addition, we have started our new English unit on The Promise, written by Nicola Davies – please check out her other books. In maths, we have found equivalent fractions and simplified them. During PSHE, our celebrating differences unit started with a fun and thought-provoking activity involving blind folds and ear buds; please ask your child to explain what they learnt!

### Don't forget:

20<sup>th</sup> Nov – SPLATT workshop Bexhill 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – SPLATT workshop Montague Please let us know if you can volunteer for the trip

## Reminders:

Curriculum Newsletter Project
Anderson Shelter D&T project – see Google Classroom for details.

Mrs L Threadgold - Y6 Lead