

English

This term we will explore non-chronological reports and dialogue. Although we will use multiple texts (particularly for dialogue), we will have a significant focus on *Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide to the Fantastic World Around You* by Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi.

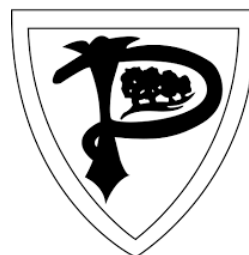
ALL work will include grammar, spelling, reading, speaking and listening and handwriting skills.

Maths

Daily lessons including one main session and regular fluency sessions. We will also continue to revise other areas with a particular focus on ratio, algebra and decimals. The children will be encouraged and taught to explain their decisions, methods and results in different ways.

RE & PHSE

In RE, we will be exploring expressive and visual arts in religions, looking at stained glass windows in Christianity and how dance, drama and music can be used. We will also be exploring meditation in Buddhism. In PHSE, we will be looking at our dreams and goals.



Here's to a great start for 2025!
Your final year at Panshanger Primary School! Increased responsibilities come with more freedom and privileges - it will also help you to prepare for secondary school!

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas, thank you all for your cards, gifts and your ongoing support.

Music

Singing chords in solfege and singing in two parts. Then looking towards conducting in solfege.

Science

We will be looking at Forces: Air and water resistance, friction, magnetic forces, (including those between like and unlike magnetic poles and gravity). In what will be mostly called *Physics* - in Year 7 and beyond!

PE

Mondays - we will have trampolining.
Wednesdays - Stevenage FC coaches will help us develop our fitness skills and knowledge.
We may have sessions on other days.

The 'Art' of Display

We will explore the choices artists make when presenting their art and how this affects how we react to it. We will be making and displaying our own sculptures.

Mountains (Geography)

Locating ranges around the world, the animals and plants that support their survival and how tourism can affect mountains.

Ancient Greeks (History)

What can we work out about their everyday life, why Athens was so strong, and how have they influenced our lives today.

Please contact us if you have any queries or concerns -

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Computing

We will be "sharpening" our Scratch skills which will continue in more depth after half term.

Spanish

The children will continue their language learning journey putting into practise all they have learned so far. Using new vocabulary and topics, they will consolidate and strengthen their speaking, listening, reading and writing.

Reading at home

The children are expected to read regularly at home (at least 3 times a week) and a comment should be added to the reading record by the children and initialled by parents. This will be checked by Mrs Quinn on a Friday. PLEASE continue with the reading practise at home as it is so important in all aspects of the curriculum.



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Year 6 SATs take place in the week beginning Monday 12th May 2025. More information will be shared with parents and children as the year goes on.

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/04/26/when-are-year-6-sats-2024-key-dates-for-parents-and-pupils/>

HOMEWORK: As the children are moving to Secondary school it is important for them to understand the expectations and therefore we try to support the transition. There will be a weekly **spellings** and **maths** revision on **THURSDAYS**

Reading records need to be completed at least 3x weekly (by the children) and signed by parents - **FRIDAYS**

Children will need to complete **TTrock Stars** weekly - total of 30 mins over the week. There may be **additional tasks** that could be any subject e.g. a history task / a science investigation / research into a geography topic etc. Please ask if you are unsure.

If it is appropriate/suitable for your child you may like them to complete extra work using books such as these. All children will benefit from the revision or extra practice but please make the decision based on what works best for your child and family:

