

Hintlesham and Chattisham C of E Primary School

Sapphire Class Information Sheet

Autumn Term 2026

Class Teachers: Mr Kricka, Mrs Beckett DeBanks, Mrs Davies and Dr Velosso-Langton

Curriculum

This term, our English work will be based on *The Firework Maker's Daughter* by Phillip Pullman. We will also be writing information texts and poems to perform as well as Christmas adverts, chronological reports and poems that create images later in the term. In addition, we will work hard to improve joined handwriting, reading and comprehension skills and spelling and grammar.

Maths work will cover place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be working hard to secure our times tables knowledge.

Our topic work this term includes: learning about volcanoes and earthquakes and the period in history from the Stone age to the Iron age. We will be designing and making an apron for a soft toy and learning how to draw from observation. Our P.S.H.E. learning this term centres around positive friendships, managing conflict and respecting differences. In Science, we will explore rocks and soils and teeth and the digestive system. Our R.E. topics will explore key concepts in Christianity and Islam. In Music, the whole class will be learning to play a musical instrument. In Computing, children will begin by learning about their online life.

This term, P.E. will take place on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Our P.E. learning includes netball and ball skills, fitness and gymnastics. Please send your child into school wearing the appropriate P.E. kit (trainers, black shorts and a red t-shirt). Black tracksuit bottoms and a black jumper may be worn for colder weather.

Homework

Please do hear your child read at home and sign their home school diary adding any comments you wish to make. Spellings will be set on a Friday and be tested the following Friday. The spelling activities set on Emile Spelling will aid your child in learning the spelling rule each week and include fun games based around the rule being taught.

In maths, we will be focusing on consolidating a secure knowledge of our 2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables in Year 3 and in addition 6, 7 and 9 times tables in Year 4. Please support your child in practicing their times tables at home using Times Tables Rock Stars for 20 minutes each week.

Please direct any messages or queries you may have to the office or make an appointment for after school when we will be happy to see you.

We hope your child has a very enjoyable term!