

Year 5 Newsletter



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Spring Term

English



In the Spring Term we will write;

- A narrative using our class story 'How to Train Your Dragon' as a stimulus
- A set of instructions linked to a Viking Quest.
- A brochure all about the Northern lights
- Poems – linked to the Dreadful Menace poem

Maths



In the Spring Term we will continue our work on multiplication and division, where the children will be learning to multiply and divide with 4 digit numbers. We will then continue our work on fractions where children will learn to multiply fractions and find a fraction of an amount.

Science

Spring 1 – Materials. We will investigate whether a range of materials are magnetic, absorbent and can conduct electricity. We will evaluate our results to determine which materials are most suitable for Viking clothing.

Spring 2 – Life Cycles. We will explore the human life cycle and compare this to the life cycles of other animals and plants.

Wider Curriculum



History – Our topic is Anglo Saxons and Vikings. We will explore why Vikings invaded Anglo Saxon Kingdoms and describe everyday life in a Viking settlement. We can't wait for our Viking Workshop!

Geography - Our topic is Scandinavia. We will describe the locations settled and visited by the Vikings and investigate the climate and biomes of Sweden.

PSHE – we will explore managing risk (including online safety) and our rights and responsibilities linked to keeping ourselves healthy.

RE - Our Key Questions are; Are Sikh stories important today? And how significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die?

Music - We will explore different musical structures with songs linked to life cycles and keeping healthy.

Art – We will explore how different artists have represented the sky in their work including the work of Van Gogh.

DT – This half term we will design and make our own Viking longboats.

PE

Our sport this half term is Netball. PE is still on a Tuesday.

How can you help at home?

Reading – please promote reading as much as possible by engaging with the book your child brings home and other books they may enjoy. This can be them reading to you, or you reading to them.

Times Tables – Revise times tables. Our favourite game is Hit the Button, which can be found on Top Marks. There are also some great games on Purple Mash.

[Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds](#)

[Purple Mash by 2Simple](#)

Dojo – please engage with dojo as much as possible. The children love seeing when parents have viewed and liked posts.

Key Dates

Monday 27th January – Viking Workshop
Friday 31st January – Team Building Day
Wednesday 5th February – Valentines Disco
Thursday 13th February – Come and Join us morning
Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th March – Parents Evening
Thursday 6th March – World Book Day
Friday 21st March – Red Nose Day

