



Year 5/6 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 2, November 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please look through the curriculum overview for this term. The children will be learning around a central theme of the Vikings and we have begun the term with a fantastic two week English Narrative block, learning about and writing Viking Myths. Attached to this newsletter is a homework sheet to accompany this terms work in school.

English:

This term, the children will be writing myths based on Viking Creation myths. They will be using the story of Odin's creation of the world as their model text and innovating on that to create their own creation myth. We will continue to focus on securing the non-negotiables of writing and sentence structures. We will also develop our writing by speech to move the writing on, ensuring that we are secure in our use of punctuation for speech. Children will develop their understanding of a range of non-fiction texts through the curriculum. They will be working hard on the technical aspects of writing and applying their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills across the curriculum.

Maths:

We continue to develop understanding of the four operations and applying our knowledge and skills in a range of contexts. We will focus on Key Instant Recall Facts and developing our problem solving and reasoning skills.

Science

We are learning about Earth and Space, developing our understanding of the solar system and exploring the orbits of the earth and other planets. We will find out about a range of scientists who have shaped our understanding of the universe and space and think about modern advances in space exploration. Through our work we will continue to develop key scientific skills to help us to think like scientists.

Theme:

The focus of theme this term is **Vikings**. Children will develop an understanding of **raids and invasions** and how this impacted on the lives of people in Britain. The children will have an understanding of where this period of time fits within the timeline of British History and they will develop their understanding through thinking about life from the perspective of a child.

PE & Games:

PE this term is on Tuesdays and will be centred on developing fundamental movement skills amongst other aspects. Children should come into school in their PE kits as outlined in the newsletter

RE:

Our big question is '**What would Jesus Do?**' Discussion will be centred around the Gospel and looking at how Jesus behaved and led others in different scenarios. We will think about how this can fit into the lives of Christians today and how we can apply some of the ideas and understanding to our world.

English Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar:

The children continue to secure their application of spelling, punctuation and grammar rules. This is done through direct teaching and through application across the curriculum

Computing:

This term, the children will focus on developing their coding skills with the aim of being able to produce some games to share and play. We will also be thinking about how to stay safe online.

Music:

The children will continue to learn how to play the Ukulele – building up to a performance we hope to share!

Art:

The children will work on developing key drawing skills – practicing them and creating artwork to use various techniques. We have also been invited to participate in the Nonington Art Show and will be creating pieces of Art to display.

WOODLANDS: This year, children will continue to build a range of skills during their weekly woodland sessions.

If you have any questions at all, please drop in and ask!

Kind regards, Mrs Solly