

Invaders and Settlers

Welcome back to Year 5!

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely, relaxing summer holiday and are now all refreshed for the new year!

Our topic this term is 'Invaders and Settlers'. This is a mainly history based topic but will also include some geographical lessons. We will be looking at the historical period from the end of the Roman Empire to 1066. Along with the historical and geographical knowledge, the children will be learning historical and geographical skills.

Linked in with our topic, we will be creating Anglo-Saxon brooches in Art. This will cover a range of artistic skills, from sketching to sewing. We will also be recreating the Bayeux Tapestry.

After half term, in D&T, we will be doing some Viking cookery. We will be investigating the food in Viking times and recreating some recipes.

At the end of the term, we will have a short 'Space' topic which will link to our science this term. In science, we are looking at the topic 'Forces' and then 'Earth, Sun and Moon' after half term. We will be learning about and using a range of scientific skills, including using ICT equipment which will link to our computing topic.

Weekly timetable

Monday:

- Homework given

Tuesday:

- PE

Wednesday:

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Thursday:

- Homework in
- Spelling test

Friday:

- Times tables test
- PE

Reading books need to be in school daily.

Please can children try to read at home every day, even just for 10 minutes!

In English and maths we will be covering the National Curriculum objectives.

English:

In English, we will be writing through a range of genres, including legends, poetry, explanation and instructions.

Maths:

In maths, we will cover a range of topics including: mental and written calculations, decimals and fractions, shape and measurement.

Other!

PE: In PE on a Tuesday, Mr Sinclair will teach the children football and then netball. On a Friday, we are going to be doing dance focusing on mood and atmosphere. Please make sure indoor and outdoor PE kits are in **all week**.

Computing: In computing this term, we will be learning about spreadsheets, focusing on Microsoft Excel.

Music: In music this term, we will be learning about performance, improvisation and composition.

RE: On a Tuesday afternoon, the children will be taught RE by Mrs Hull.

French: Madam Allin will teach the children French on a Monday afternoon.

PSHE: We will be covering PSHE in a discrete lesson, assemblies and throughout the curriculum.