



Year 5/6 Newsletter

Spring Term 2



The Year 5/6 Teaching Team

Class 8



Miss Barnicoat



Mrs Tillotson

Class 9



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Class 10



Mr Kershaw



Mr Adamson

English

Throughout this term, Year 5 and 6 will be using the historical period of the Anglo-Saxons to inspire our writing. This half-term we look closely at the Battle of Hastings and will begin by writing a newspaper report about the battle. We will be recreating the battle as a whole phase. Following on from this, we will be composing a descriptive narrative about Anglo-Saxon village life.

Maths

Year 5 will be continuing to explore fractions, decimals and percentages. This is an excellent opportunity for children to apply their understanding of bar models. In Year 6, we will be exploring shape and space as well as looking at statistics and time. We will be challenged with applying our understanding of these areas to real-life problems, such as resurfacing the school playground with astroturf!

Forest School

In Forest School this half term, pupils will continue to develop their tool skills and will be implementing new techniques—including weaving—to create their own Anglo-Saxon weapon belts. In addition to this, children will be designing and making their own wooden weapons. Please ensure that your children are appropriately dressed for the conditions.

History/Geography

In history, pupils will continue to investigate Anglo-Saxon life. This will include looking at some of the kings, such as Alfred the Great and Edward the Elder, that reigned across the seven kingdoms. Furthermore, children will continue to develop their understanding of Anglo-Saxon society.

Within geography, students will compare Leeds with an area of South America!

Science/French/Computing

In Science, we will be investigating our solar system, focussing on the movement of the celestial bodies around our sun. We will also be exploring light, in particular how it travels.

In French, children will learn how to converse in a shopping scenario using their knowledge of masculine and feminine to accurately use 'some' and 'of' accordingly.

In computing, pupils will be continuing to develop their understanding of coding and will be applying this to Scratch, Microbits and InO-Bots!

Homework

All pupils should be:

Reading 3 x per week with an adult.

TT Rockstars 3 x per week.

Spelling Shed 3 x per week

There is also optional half-termly homework to complete.

PE

Pupils should attend school wearing their PE kits **every Thursday**. As part of our PE we will be exploring the different aspects of gymnastics.

RE

Pupils will extend their understanding of the Christian creation story by understanding why Jesus' death and resurrection is important to them.

Dates for your Diary

27th Feb—Parent Consultation

2nd March—World Book Day

6th March—Parent Consultation

15th March—Parent Event—Anglo Saxons

31st March—School closed for training day