

Welcome to Year 5!

Autumn 2022



Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have made a great start to the new academic year and we have been impressed with their positive attitude. They have already demonstrated an excellent standard of effort and commitment. We are all very much looking forward to making this our best year yet for learning. This newsletter provides you with an overview of our topics for this term and some important class information.

Mini Topics	This year we will be doing a series of mini topics through a class text. These will link our English to other areas of the curriculum. BEOWULF by Michael Morpurgo – linked to History VIKING BOY by Tony Bradman
Science	Materials & Forces
History	Anglo-Saxon Life & The Vikings
Geography	The children will be mainly focused on history this term but we will be doing map work associated with the Anglo Saxons and the Vikings.
D and T	Sewing – linked to our Christmas Curriculum.
Art	Giuseppe Arcimboldo – linked to Harvest
Computing	During this term we will be doing coding and online safety. We will also use the computers to research the Anglo Saxons and Vikings which will be our digital literacy.
Music	The children will be having weekly ukulele lessons as well as singing practices and some music linked to our topic.
P.E	This term we will be working with Mr Sheridan playing a range of different sports including hockey and football.
R.E	God – What does it mean if God is holy and loving? How do people express their faith through the arts? – Multi-faith
PSHE	We will be exploring our feelings and how to manage our emotions.
Mathematics	In maths we will be focusing on the following topics - Place value - The four operations
English	Our English will all be through our class text. We will be exploring a variety of genres such as description writing, newspaper articles, reports and diary entries.

Important information

- Please ensure that children have a full P.E kit in school from Monday to Friday. Our PE days are Wednesday and Thursday.
- We would like the children to read at home as much as possible and record this in their home school diaries please. This will be checked in school. We always emphasize that the focus of the children's reading at home needs to be reading for pleasure. Remember – *READING IS READING WHATEVER THE TEXT!*
- Time Tables – we will continue to have a table focus where we will learn three facts per week. These will be practiced daily through chanting and questions sheets.
- Spelling – we will focus on different spelling patterns each week too.

We will update you every week using class dojo to show you what the class have been up to. Should you have any questions about any of the information in this newsletter or indeed about anything else please feel free to speak to me or send me a message via class dojo.

The Year 5 Team

Mrs G, Mrs Goodes, Mrs Edwards & Mrs Martins