



Year Five Newsletter: Autumn 1 2023



Welcome to Year Five! We are delighted to welcome the children back to school and hope you all had a lovely summer break. We are ready for a term's fantastic learning, which will encompass the gory aspects of the Viking era in our topic **Raiders and Traders**, as well as the possible geographical and trade reasons for the Viking invasions. We have a packed and exciting school schedule which we are delighted to be able to share with the children over the coming weeks.

The children have settled in their new Crews and have been working collaboratively in a range of activities and challenges. This week's focus has been getting to know their crew, familiarising themselves with their new routines and classrooms, and understanding the expectations we have of them now they are in Year Five.

We thank you in anticipation for your support and we look forward to a term of exciting learning and great progress. If you do have any questions, please speak to us in person or email us via the school office email.

With our best regards,

The Year Five team

Our Learning Theme Raiders and Traders		Important Dates:	
 		<p>Tuesday 26th September: European Day of Languages</p> <p>Monday 6th November: Viking Visitor and experience day</p> <p>Friday 4th November: Learning log due</p>	
Homework		Learning Log	PE Days
<p>In Year Five, spelling and maths homework is sent home on a Friday in a book which your child can use to complete their practice in. It is to be completed and brought back for the following Friday. The children will go through their work in class so please ensure it is returned each week. There will be no maths and spellings sent during the learning log project time. Homework will commence on Friday 15th September.</p>		<p>Learning Logs are issued each term. The first learning log will be sent home the week of the 10th October and will be due to be shared on Friday 4th November with their class. The children can pursue any area of interest regarding our theme and work in whichever format they choose.</p>	<p>Tuesday: Handball Wednesday: Basketball</p> <p>Please ensure your child wears appropriate PE clothes, in line with the school uniform policy.</p>
Curriculum			
English	Maths	Science and Humanities	
<p>In English the children will start by writing a short biography about either Marie Curie or Stephen Hawking, we will then move on to explore the story Zoo by Antony Browne and create some of the</p>	<p>In maths we will start by revisiting the basics in place value and progress to looking at digits with up to 6 digits. We will then move on to written and mental methods of</p>	<p>In science we will kick off the half term with our first unit on Forces. The children will deepen their understanding of friction, water resistance, air resistance and gravity.</p>	



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<p>children's own versions of the story. We want the children to understand and explore the different language structures used to give different impacts.</p>	<p>addition and subtraction with digits more than 4 digits. We will encourage the children to explore the use of rounding and use of the inverse operation to check the accuracy of their work.</p>	<p>In humanities, we will have a history focus and will explore all things Viking; from what Britain was like before the first Viking invasion to life up to the end of the Viking era.</p>
<p>The Arts</p>	<p>Computing, RE and PSHE</p>	<p>Year Five Team</p>
<p>In art we will be focusing upon the use of pencil to sketch, shade and give Viking designs depth and dimension. We will start by looking at traditional Viking art and the use it has in telling us about the Viking period, we will then move on to look at the figure heads used on Viking ships and the detail used in the jewellery worn.</p>	<p>In computing we will refresh our e-safety knowledge and understanding, and learn how to be safe online.</p> <p>In RE, we will explore places and journeys, whilst in PSHE we will be focusing on our relationships with ourselves and one another as we move into Upper Key Stage Two.</p>	<p>Miss Hayden - Hawking class teacher</p> <p>Mr Ahmed-Curie Class Teacher</p> <p>Mr Hutchinson-LSA Miss James-LSA Miss Taylor-LSA</p>