



## Year 5 Newsletter Autumn 2019

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Welcome to Year 5. At the beginning of this term, we are working on a whole school project based on 'The Mayflower'. All of our writing will focus on this topic and the children will have lots of opportunities to explore the topic in detail. We will then be working on the theme of "Invaders and Settlers", and each of our subjects will interlink with this core theme.



### English

In English this term, we will begin by focusing on the text 'The Saga of Erik the Viking' and create our own narratives and diaries, explanation texts and newspaper articles. We will have a strong focus on handwriting and spelling this term, where we will be practising our handwriting four times a week and spellings will be tested weekly.

### Maths

Some of the topics we will be covering in Maths are place value, decimals, multiplication, division, fractions, percentages, measurement and statistics.

You can help at home by practising all the times tables and the matching division facts, as this will help children in many of the above areas.



Theme Based Learning- We are learning about "Invaders and Settlers". We will be carrying out lots of cross-curricular work related to this topic, as well as going on trips to further extend our understanding of this time in history.

Science - Our topic is "Earth and Space" followed by "Forces".

Art - In conjunction with the theme this term, we will be looking at colour, shape and pattern, linked to Roman and Viking patterns. We will also create shields and longboats, as part of our Design Technology topic.



### Notices

- This half term, Year 5 will have P.E. every Wednesday and Friday. Please make sure that your child has their full P.E. kit. In Year 5 they should be responsible for their organisation.
- Homework will be work related to the topics we are studying in class. It is essential that homework is completed on time and that the presentation of the work is of a high standard. Homework will be given on Friday and must be returned on Tuesday. Your child will also be given the comprehension text books as well as the Maths text books to complete their homework in each week.
- Children should read every night and write an account of what they have read in their reading journals - these journals are where homework is written and parents should sign them every week to acknowledge their child has read and completed the homework tasks given.
- Our class assembly is Tuesday 1st October 2019 at 2:45pm: We hope you can join us for this celebration. This will be followed immediately by the Year 5 Parent Meeting and we hope to see a representative from each family on this occasion.



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