



Y5 Curriculum Newsletter

Friday 16th July 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we draw the year to a close we would like to look forward to September and give you, and your child, a flavour of what's to come.

In English, we will be continuing our 'Talk for Writing Scheme' to produce some fantastic work. Much of our Autumn Term's work will be focused around the story of Beowulf (which is linked to our Topic). We will be writing our own 'Defeating a Monster' story drawing upon themes from Beowulf.

Our first Science topic across the Autumn Term will explore the properties and changes of materials, followed by our second Science topic which will be based around forces. The children will develop their enquiry and investigative skills across these units.

Our History topic throughout the Autumn Term will focus on the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will be exploring the era of the Anglo-Saxons and will be learning about; how they first invaded, their impact on Britain today, what life was like for rich and poor and so on, building up our knowledge towards answering our overarching question: *What was life like for an Anglo-Saxon child?* We will also be investigating how the Vikings came to England, their lasting impact on the country and whether or not they deserve their violent reputation.

Within Art and DT, Year 5 will be developing their drawing and sketching techniques through some observational drawings. DT will be closely linked to the children's Science and History work, whereby they will be using their knowledge of materials to design and create Anglo-Saxon brooches, plan and construct truss bridges and create electronic cards.

Computing will have a focus on E-safety which will help enable the children to stay safe online. We will also use our knowledge of Vikings to create an interactive information PowerPoint.

RE will examine Christianity and Islam. PSHE will be focused on 'Being me in my world' where we will be looking at responsibilities, personal goals and our place in the wider community.

PE will be on Thursday morning across the Autumn Terms, the children will be developing their understanding of invasion games (with a focus on hockey) whilst learning personal and social fundamental skills. Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for these days - navy shorts/joggers, white PE socks, green T-shirt and trainers. All items of clothing must be clearly named. Earrings - please remove your child's earrings (if possible) on PE lesson days. If they are not removed your child will be asked to cover their earrings themselves with medical tape. This is to prevent any injuries during these active lessons.

I hope this letter helps to give you a little information about what your child will be exploring in the Autumn Term. We are thoroughly looking forward to working in partnership with you during this school year - if you have any questions now or at any time in the future, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,

Mr. Spicer, Miss. Bennett, Mrs. Anderson & Mrs. Arthur