



Twineham CofE School



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back for the Spring Term. We are very excited to be back, and are very much looking forward to working with your children this term.

We continue daily maths and English lessons. This term we are focusing on multiplication and related division facts. We move into fractions, decimals and percentages, and so quick recall of times tables will be essential. Please continue to support your children with these at home. We shall be perfecting the written methods of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication, and looking to apply these skills to real life situations. We shall be encouraging children to talk about their maths and explain their reasoning in their books.

In English, we shall be writing explanations and reports about the Saxons and Vikings. The structure of the paragraph is central to this work, with a main point and extended comment. We shall be looking at structured poetry (rhyming couplets and haikus), and we shall be concentrating again on editing skills and applying spelling strategies to our writing. We will work in reading groups (like a Book Club), and children may decide to continue their work outside the group lessons (i.e. reading extra chapters at home, creating work linked to the book). The groups are working independently and have already produced some exciting work. We are concentrating on spellings – please look out for lists which may come home. Alongside this we continue to promote individual readers and to hear children read during the week, this book can also be read at home.

Our History topic continues from Saxons to invaders, and we shall be looking in detail at how the Battle of Hastings was won. With a link to design, we have already started looking at the Viking long ship and research could be extended within this aspect.

This is also the basis for our technology theme as we consider how weight can cause stress and weakness to designs and the effect it has on designs- at present we are testing bags for different purposes. Later in the term, Art will be focused around our history topic too, with The Bayeux Tapestry providing stimulus to our project.



In Science, we are studying States of Matter (solid, liquids and gases) and we have already conducted experiments with fizzy drinks and chocolate!

We are looking at spread sheets in Computing, and we are applying formulae to find totals and averages. We are also looking at ways to add and format cells.

P.E continues on Mondays (Dance – jive) and on Fridays (Hockey) with Mrs Stafford.

In R.E. we shall be looking at the Bible, considering who wrote it and how it has come to be compiled before moving onto extending last year's study of The Easter Story. So, greater emphasis will be placed on events following the crucifixion.

Mrs Moss will continue to teach Music, French and Grammar with those children who are not attending Forest school this term (Wednesdays). These children will be joined by Year 3 children.

As always, please do contact us with any concerns or worries.

Thank you again for all your support. Please keep reading with your children – we can see it is really making a difference!

With best wishes,
The Willow team.