



# NEWSLETTER FOR YEAR 5 SEPTEMBER 2020



## Welcome

I hope that you have had a safe and happy Summer holidays - despite the current climate - and are ready to work hard over the next term. Our Autumn newsletter provides details of this term's curriculum activities. This term there will be lots of exciting and engaging learning opportunities, especially during our topic work on the Anglo Saxons and Mexico. I am very excited for the year ahead!

## Sports

**Class 5 P.E will take place on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon.** We will be developing skills in a range of sports and activities, such as Tag Rugby. A reminder that all children are expected to arrive in school in their PE kit on these days. Children are to wear the correct sports/P.E kit in school. This consists of a plain white T-shirt (with no logos), red shorts and black pumps, (please check the size!). An outdoor sports kit (dark blue or black tracksuit, white T-shirt and trainers) may also be required for cooler days.

## Autumn 1: Brutal Battles: The Anglo-Saxon Invasion



## Autumn 2: Mexico and the Mayans



## Homework Information

### Homework timetable (Class 5):

Children are able to revise their times tables on TT Rockstars regularly. Children should be reading to an adult on a regular basis at home.

Maths homework books will be sent home on a **Thursday** and the homework will be due the following **Monday**.

Pupils will be able to access their weekly spellings via the school website for the children to practice at home. They will be **uploaded every Friday** and the children will be tested in school the following Friday morning.

*It is imperative that maths homework books are returned to school each Monday so that the homework books can be marked ahead of the next section being set on the Thursday.*

## Topics

This half term our Topic is 'Brutal Battles'. Our Autumn 2 topic will be Mexico where we shall be studying the Aztecs and the Mayans.

**ENGLISH:** We will be reading 'Anglo Saxon Boy' and creating, describing and writing stories relating to themes and characters in the text, using a range of stimuli, narratives and images relating to our topic.

**HISTORY:** We will be finding out about the invasion of the Anglo-Saxons and their life in Britain and then Mexico in Autumn 2.

**SCIENCE:** We are studying Materials and their properties in science. Children will be conducting experiments, comparing and presenting data and identifying patterns.

**MATHEMATICS:** Maths work will include number and place value, addition and subtraction methods and multiplication and division of different numbers. Within each lesson, children will also be developing their reasoning skills, trying to explain how and why they got their answers using maths.

**GEOGRAPHY:** Looking at key locations locally and where significant events linked to our topic took place.

**ART/DT:** Our art and design work will be linked to our topic. We will be using a range of materials to produce quality art. We will focus on the use of colour/tone, patterns and textures and 3D.

**ICT:** We will develop key skills in a range of subjects.

**PSHE:** Rules, returning to school, personal targets, friendships and other relationships, health and happiness, rights and responsibilities.

**RE:** We will be looking at some key, big questions such as 'If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?' and exploring them through debates, art, research and religious texts.

**FRENCH:** Children will be continuing with their French from year 4, building on their existing knowledge and skills.

I am really looking forward to my first term with Year 5. It is brilliant to have the children back in school. It is going to be a fun packed term with lots of hard work and high expectations. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any issues that may arise, or you have any questions.

Yours sincerely  
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