

Summer Term 1 in Year 5



Welcome back!

Our topic for this half term is the **Invaders and Settlers (Anglo Saxons)**.

Dates for your diaries:

Tuesdays – indoor PE (field if dry)

Fridays – outdoor PE

Trips:

- River Misbourne Geography trip
5HM 28/04/25 5WM 29/04/25
- Tate Modern trip 6/6/25
 - We will need helpers, please message if interested.

English

In class this term, we will be reading the books:

Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo

Viking Boy by Tony Bradman

Writing lessons will focus on varying sentence structures, subordinate and relative clauses, parenthesis, speech punctuation, paragraphs, imagery and changing tense appropriately.

We will be writing kenning poetry, a diary entry, a newspaper report, a formal letter to persuade and battle commentary

Maths

This half term we will focus on:

- **Geometry**

Shape, Position and Direction

- **Number**

Four operations with decimals and negative numbers

- **Measurement**

Converting units of length, time and volume

Homework

Spelling – 5 words from the list each week written in sentences. There is also a list of spelling words at the front of the book to practice ahead of a test later this term.

Reading logged on BoomReader a minimum of 3 times a week – at least once should be by an adult who has heard them read aloud.

MyMaths as normal

Google classroom – presentation- details to follow

Science

Our next science unit 'Life cycles & reproduction'

- study and compare the life cycles of the various animal groups – mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish.

History

We will be returning to British history with the arrival of Anglo-Saxons, discussing their invaders and settlers. Their culture and struggles leading up to the arrival of the Vikings.



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PSHE

Our unit is 'Keeping safe'

Key themes include;
Bullying, levels of risks, dares
and health including discussion
about the
effects of smoking/vaping.

DT

The children will be
designing and creating a
moving cam toy using the
following tools under
supervision to construct
their cam toy: ruler, a small
hacksaw, glue gun,
sandpaper, a vice and
scissors

RE

We will be discussing
how following god can
bring freedom and justice
within the Christian faith.

French

The children will be
learning to describe
their holidays.
'En vacances'

Computing

This term we will be creating media in
the form of web page creation using
Google Sites.

The website will be for a specific
purpose with a cross-curricular link,
paying specific attention to copyright
and fair use of media, the aesthetics of
the site, and navigation paths.

Music

This term the children will
be exploring a tuned
percussion instrument –
the glockenspiel and
learning read musical
notation.

PE

Indoor PE (field when dry) –
Cricket – bowling, backstop,
batting and fielding tactics.

Outdoor PE – Athletics skills;
running, jumping and throwing
with increased speed, height,
distance or accuracy.

For more detailed
information about
the curriculum,
please see the
'Curriculum' page on
the school website.