



Autumn 2020 - Year 5

Newsletter 2



Dear Parents,

Hello and welcome back. I hope you all had a very relaxing half term break. I am really looking forward to the half term ahead and the exciting new things we will all be learning and of course, Christmas!

This term we are very lucky to have Mrs Sinclair, Mrs Norton and Mrs Ardley working with us as our teaching assistants. Mrs Gelly will be teaching Class 5 on Tuesdays. She will be teaching an English and a maths lesson and art/DT and computing in the afternoon. During maths, Mrs Gelly will concentrate on multiplication tables and written arithmetic.

Our topic for this half term is 'The Vicious Vikings'. In History we will study who the Vikings were, where they came from, why they invaded and the impact they had.

In RE we will be exploring the question 'Does God communicate with man?' This will focus on prophecy and the Christmas story. In PSHE we will be exploring our emotions. The topic web will show how the topics link across the curriculum.

Our guided reading text for this half term is The Saga of Erik the Viking by Terry Jones. Much of our English will be inspired by the text including writing our own sagas and newspaper reports. In science we will be exploring reversible and irreversible changes and separating solids and liquids. Lots of excellent, practical activities.

In maths we will focus on written methods for multiplication and division before moving on to fractions.

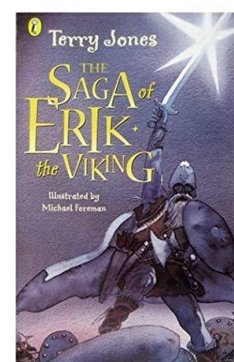
PE will be on Thursdays and Fridays and the children will need to come to school in their full PE kits on these days. We will be working on handball skills on Thursdays with Mrs Ellis and gymnastic balances and sequences with me on Fridays.

Homework will be set on a **Friday** and needs to be returned by the following **Wednesday**. I will set homework on Google Classrooms as well as in homework books. Spellings will be tested on **Thursdays** with new words sent home on **Fridays**.

I hope you find the above information clear. If you have any queries, please feel free to pop in and see me or leave a message with the office.

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Computing

E-safety

**DT - design and make a
Viking house**

**Science - Materials and
changes.** Reversible and
irreversible changes including
dissolving, evaporation, burning
and rusting.

**PE - Invasion games -
handball skills**

**Gymnastics - sequence
and balance**

**The Vicious
Vikings**

RE/PSHE

My emotions

**Prophets and
prophecy**

Art

**Chalk/pastel Viking
long ships**

Viking knot pictures

**History - . Viking invaders
- image, reputation,
settlement, religion, Jorvik
and long ships**

English

Viking Sagas

Viking newspaper reports

French -

**The weather
Hobbies**