

Year 4 Newsletter

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Vikings - Term 5

Science: This term, our topic is Animals including Humans. We will be covering teeth and the digestive system.

English: Our main text this term is 'The Viking Boy' (By Tony Bradman). This will allow children to explore life during the Viking period.

Maths: This term we are focusing our skills on properties of numbers and problem solving. A good knowledge of times tables will help this term. Please use PIXL to practise the times tables as often as possible.

Topic Work: During our Viking Topic we will explore the impact they had on Britain and their way of life, creating various STEM activities and ART projects.

PSHE: Following the 'APPLE' program/Problem solving.

RE: Holi Festival.

Music: Ukulele.

SRE: Growing and changing. Exploring the human cycle.

Swimming and PE

Due to cancellation, we will be planning to have our swimming lessons in Year 5.



Our day for PE this term will be on a Thursday. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit at school, at all times. We will be doing Tennis and Cricket, therefore, please bring in some outdoor footwear.

How can you help at home?

Please support your child with their spellings and Maths homework wherever possible. The work set will support the learning they have done during the week. Please remember to read at home for 20 minutes per day and sign the reading record, so children are awarded for their hard work. Homework club is held weekly if your child needs support to complete their homework.

DATES FOR HOMEWORK:
27th April, 11th May and 24th May

Times Table Tests!

Your child needs to be practising their times tables for our weekly Big Maths test and the 100 Club. They should know which ones they need to learn. The test will be completed as a rapid recall, with just seconds for them to remember the answer.

Please use **PIXL** to practise the times tables as often as possible.

Mile a Day:



Reading

The children engage in many reading activities as part of their English sessions. Through the AR scheme, your child will have a band of books that they may choose from, which should all be suitable for their current reading ability. Your child needs to be secure with what they have read, so they may be encouraged to read their book more than once before completing the quiz. It is important that your child reads daily, we offer reading time in school throughout the day but this needs to be supported at home too. If you have any queries about the system, please contact your child's class teacher.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD BRINGS THEIR READING BOOK TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY and you have signed their reading record to say that you have listened to them read.



Water Bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a **named water bottle** to school each day, to have in the classroom. This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.



Don't forget to send your child in with a water bottle and sun hat on warm days—and apply sun cream before school if required.

Long hair **MUST** be tied up securely every day and be able to stay up all day. Bands will be given if they have not secured their hair. No nail varnish is to be worn.