



Year 3 and 4 Spring Newsletter

Hello and welcome back. We hope you had a lovely Christmas holiday and are re-energised ready for an enjoyable spring term. This newsletter will provide you with an overview of what your child will be doing this term in year 3 and 4.

English

Our English will link to our topic work about Anglo-Saxons and Vikings and will be based around the story of Beowulf. We will be writing for a range of purposes including persuasive writing and narratives. Children will focus on expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and including effective dialogue in story writing.

To support your child with their work in English please continue to read with them at least three times a week and record it in their reading records. Don't forget we have log-ins to Spelling Shed for the children to access at home.

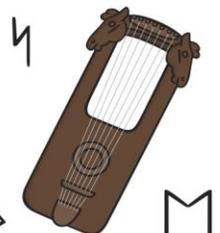
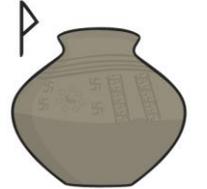
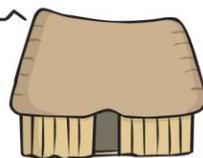
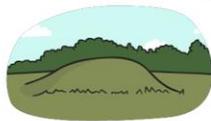
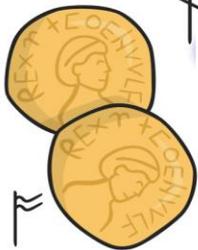
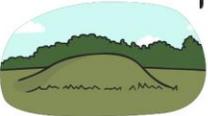
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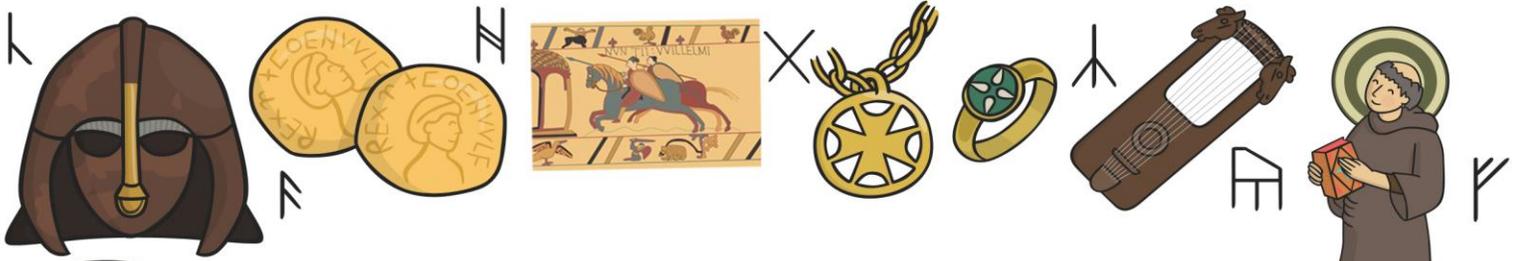
This term we will focus on written methods for multiplication and division and apply these in problem-solving contexts. Please continue to support your child to practice their times tables as it is a national expectation that by the end of year 4 children know all their tables. Don't forget we have access to Times-Table Rockstars to support the children in practicing their times-tables.

Topic

This term our **history**-based topic is **INVADERS**. We will be learning about Anglo-Saxon and Viking England. We will be discovering why they came to England and settled here, as well as exploring their settlements and everyday life.

As part of our **stunning start**, we will be using a variety of artistic skills and materials to produce an Anglo-Saxon and Viking display in our classrooms.





Science week will take place in March where we will be exploring sound; how sounds are made, investigating how sound travels and how we can change pitch and volume of sound. We will do this through the use of practical investigations including playing musical instruments.

PE: Year 4 children will continue to have PE on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. Year 3 children will have PE on a Thursday morning and swimming on a Wednesday afternoon. The last swimming session will take place on Wednesday 6th of February. Please ensure all children have a named kit in school on these days.

Please continue to help your child to learn their **spellings** for their weekly test on a Friday. Homework will start from Friday 11th January and your child will receive either maths or English every Friday which will need to be handed in by the following Thursday.

Thank you for your continued support.

The year 3/4 team
Mrs Ahearne, Miss Houghton, Miss Hunter and Mrs Lee

