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Dear Parents/Carers

Our next theme this year is 'Anglo Saxon and Viking Invasion' This theme focuses on history, geography and science.

We will locate the countries of Northern Europe concentrating on countries, major cities, rivers and mountains and the climate of the area. We will look at the location in relation to the position of the Equator and the Tropics of Cancer and the Northern Hemisphere. We will use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping.

In our work on Anglo-Saxon invasions, settlements and kingdoms, we will look at where and why they invaded, place names and village life. We will then compare the Anglo-Saxon invasions to Viking raids and invasion.

We will continue to develop a chronologically secure knowledge, note connections, contrasts and trends over time and develop the appropriate use of historical terms. We will address historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference, and significance and construct informed responses that involve selecting and organising historical information. We will use a range of sources throughout our work. We will also learn how to play an Anglo-Saxon/Viking game, make some model armour and take part in a Now Press Play experience.

In science, we will at materials, comparing and grouping together everyday materials on the basis of their properties. We will consider how the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings used materials based on their properties too.

In music, we will also be looking back way into the past to understand the history of music as well as continuing to learn how to play the ukulele and learning about Jazz music on Charanga.

In RE, our new topic will focus on the question, "Should we forgive others?" In PSHE, we will be finishing off our topic, Keeping Myself Safe and then looking at Rights and Responsibilities. We will be thinking about Managing Online Information in our online safety lessons alongside our computing unit on coding.

In English, we will be reading Beowulf by Michael Murpurgo and writing a 'beat the baddie' style story. Finally, in Maths we will continue our work on fractions before moving onto decimals and percentages!

Our dialogic talk activities will focus on articulating and justifying answers, arguments and opinions and to well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings (Language of opinion and language of description, explanation, retelling).

In PE will continue with gymnastics to develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.



We are going to learn how to combine and perform gymnastic actions, shapes, balances and rolls more fluently and effectively, ensuring actions are clear, accurate and consistent, on their own, with partners or small groups. We are also going play and compete in competitive net games such as badminton and tennis, after familiarising ourselves with different equipment, different shots (forehand, backhand) and terminology.

French lessons will start for the girls after the half-term holiday.

Helping at home:

As well as ensuring that your child completes their weekly homework, you could:

- Access TT Rocks at home to help your child with their multiplication tables.
- Use Purple Mash online, it has some great activities to help with all areas of the curriculum.
- Look at the school twitter page for weekly Talk at Home questions.
- Read 'beat the baddie' style stories with your children.
- Find out about Michael Murpurgo
- Explore the following websites
- [KS2 English: Beowulf - BBC Teach](#)
- [Fractions - KS2 Maths - BBC Bitesize](#)
- [Vikings - KS2 History - BBC Bitesize](#)
- [Anglo-Saxons - KS2 History - BBC Bitesize](#)

Don't forget to let us know if you have a go at any of these activities or any other extra work.

If you have any questions or would like to help, please call in to see us.

Mrs. Nore and Mr Hindle

