

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 2

Our English Learning

Developing positive attitudes towards literacy by:

- Children will be writing descriptive pieces based on Characters and Settings. They will also be writing a persuasive piece on a real-life subject, as well as exploring Christmas Celebrations Around the World and how they vary. They will increase their understanding of the unit by engaging with various activities
- Increasing the legibility, consistency, and quality of their handwriting.
- Increasing children's reading ability to ensure they are adept enough to process and tackle Y5 texts and beyond.
- Some texts that we will be covering are Malamander, Fourteen Wolves and various Anglo-Saxon texts.

You could help your child with their English learning by:

- Reading with them every night and signing their Reading Record.
- Practice their spellings and checking their ability to spell the Year 5/6 key words.

In RE:

- What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today? (Islam, Islam)

The title of our current History unit is:

What was life like in Anglo-Saxon Britain?

In this unit, pupils will learn who the Anglo-Saxons were, where they came from and why they chose to settle in England. They will explore what life was like in Anglo-Saxon Britain and what life was like for Anglo-Saxon women. Pupils will investigate how historians discovered all of this information and what sources they use to deduct how life was in Anglo-Saxon England.

Other news & updates about our class:

- P.E. will be held on a **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Children should come to school in their P.E. kit on these days and wear their school jumper/cardigan/fleece over the top.
- P.E. kit comprises of a white t-shirt, black shorts or leggings and trainers or pumps. Earrings must be removed for P.E. lessons.

No question is too small; please pop in and see me if you have any questions about how you can help at home.

Our Mathematics Learning

In Maths this half-term we will be working on:

- Negative numbers - this will involve reading and writing negative numbers.
- Using negative numbers to interpret graphs, information and the correct intervals on number lines.
- Short Multiplication and Division - we will be looking at efficient and accurate methods to solve multiplication and division problems.

You could help your child with their Maths learning by:

- Practicing times tables including division facts.
- Every child has their own Time Tables Rockstars login; they should be practicing for a few minutes every night.

In Science:

- We will be learning about Earth and Space.

Skipping:

- As a follow up to our Skipping workshop last half term, Year 5 will be challenging themselves to skip more.
- We're aiming to see how many skips we can do in 2 minutes and try to improve it every week!
- Why don't you take part and try to beat the children?