



Year 6 Newsletter

We discover and realise the genius in everyone!

YEAR 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely half term break! The children have come back well-rested and ready to learn as we approach the SATs tests. We will be working hard this term on English and Maths but of course, we will also make sure there are plenty of fun activities to keep everyone motivated!

We look forward to seeing you in the upcoming weeks at Parents' Evening on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st March and we thank you for your ongoing support.

Miss Maylon, Mr Barnshaw, Miss Akdogan and Miss Adesina

IMPORTANT DATES

1st - 6th March
Book Fair

4th - 8th
Book Week

7th March
World Book Day

15th March
Red Nose Day

20th - 21st March
Parents' evenings

TOPIC FOCUS: THE VICIOUS VIKINGS

This half term our topic is 'The Vikings'. We will begin our learning looking at the history time line of the Vikings, where they came from and why they chose to invade other countries (in particular, what they had to gain from it). We will also study the raids the Vikings carried out, their life and religion. Alongside this, we will look at a range of artefacts and historical sources of evidence to explore if the Vikings were really as vicious as History made them out to be...

REMINDERS

All children must bring their PE kits into school every week. They can bring their PE kits in on Monday and take them home on Friday.

We do not recommend that children under the age of ten walk home alone. However, if you would like them to do so, you must sign and return a school form. Please contact the office for more details.

Please ensure your child wears correct school uniform every day. See the school website for further details.

English

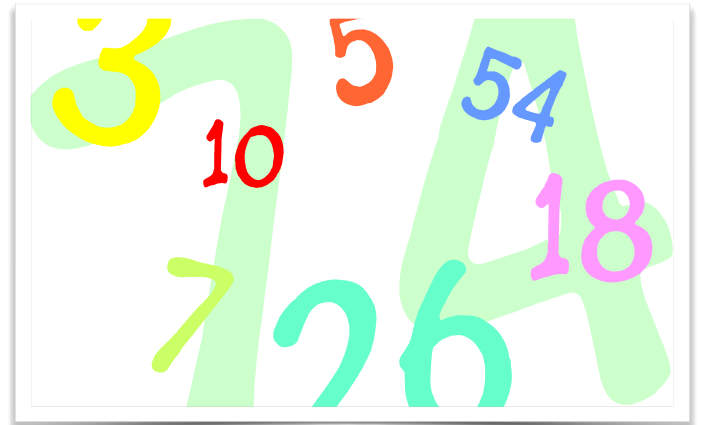
In English this half term, we will be writing suspense stories. We will look at different examples and discuss how they made us feel as the audience. We will then use the different features such as purposeful vocabulary, foreshadowing and varying sentence structures and think about how we can use them purposefully to have an impact on the reader.



We will then move onto writing a non-chronological report about The Vikings. Children will choose their audience and use suitable vocabulary selected for their reader to inform them.

GROUPS

In order to support learning, pupils may be taught in groups for maths and reading. Additional small group teaching will take place as needed to support your child's progress.



Maths

In our Maths lessons we will continue to build on our arithmetic skills, ensuring that children can choose the appropriate method for the numbers involved in the calculation. We will learn about geometry including how to draw shapes to scale, the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, how to calculate missing angles in different shapes and how to reflect and translate shapes. As well as this, we will look at ratio and how we can apply this to problems.

Please encourage children to practise their timetables at home daily using the Times Tables Rock Stars app. This is a fun and engaging way for your child to practice.

HOME LEARNING

Project homework will be sent via Showbie.

Spellings will be given out weekly on Mondays; children will be tested the following Monday. The spellings can be found on [Spelling Shed](#) - a great website/app that will aid your child's learning.

Please continue to encourage your child to read often and record this in their Reading Champions book. The children will go home with both their assessed book banded book and a novel of their choice.

Times tables is a key focus for Year 6; please continue to practise these regularly. Children should use Times Tables Rock Stars every day for 10 minutes.

