

**Love Learning, Love Life
Always Aiming High**

Welcome

This is our first term in Year Six and we've got lots to look forward to. There are lots of fun topics and lessons ahead!

PE

PE is taught twice a week. On a Tuesday it will be taught by Mr Manning and by Mrs Edwards on a Friday. We value healthy life styles; and staying fit and active is important as we grow up.

Homework, Spellings and Reading

Like last year, there will be two pieces of homework a week. Maths goes out on Wednesday and is in on Friday. On Friday we will hand out 'learning log' homework. This is due in the following Tuesday, however, occasionally we may give out a piece of homework that lasts for a longer period of time, such as a mini-project.

Spelling lists will also be sent home frequently to be learnt in time for our spelling tests.

As always, reading is the cornerstone of all learning. We recommend that you read at home as much as possible and aim to change your book as often as possible.

Enrichment

Details of other enrichment experiences will be announced as the year progresses.



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Year 6 Learning Letter

AUTUMN 2016

Our first topic will focus on

The Anglo-Saxons versus the Vikings battling for control of Britain

In **art** we will use a range of art techniques making Anglo-Saxon designs.

In **DT** we will design our own Anglo-Saxon inspired Jewellery.

In **Science** we will look at classification of vertebrates and invertebrates. After half term we will explore electrical circuits and how changes affect components within them.

In **English** we will research Britain during the Anglo-Saxon times. We will create reports about what we've discovered. We will also write our own myths based on the story of King Arthur.

After half term we will create newspaper reports based on events around the Viking invasion. We will also do a persuasive unit trying to convince our audience to support the different claimants to the throne.



In **maths** we will be working on our place value up to 10 million. With number operations we will be multiplying and dividing 4 digits by 2 digits. We will also solve percentage problems such as 15% of 360. In shape work we will be looking at parts of a circle and identifying missing angles in various different scenarios. For data handling we will construct and interpret pie charts and calculate the mean as an average of a set of numbers.

In **geography** we will look at maps of how Britain was divided up into separate kingdoms and locate modern UK cities and counties. We will also look at maps of where the Vikings explored and name the main oceans and continents.

In **history** we will study Britain during the times of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings.



In **P.E** we will have two hour long sessions each week. In the autumn term both Mr Manning and Mrs Edwards will be covering gymnastics in their lessons: both floor and apparatus skills.

In **R.E** we will be learning about Islam. We will study the life of Muhammad: how he came to recite the Qur'an. We will then look at different religious texts.

In **French** we will learn vocabulary to describe areas such as ourselves, games and celebrations.



In **computing** we will be looking at Internet safety. How can we best stay safe, what is cyber bullying and what is privacy?

After half term we will begin coding using the free to download program – Scratch.



In **Music** we will use the Charanga scheme of Work each week. We will look at singing some famous popular songs: 'Livin' on a Prayer', 'We Will Rock You', 'Rockin' All Over the World' and 'I Saw Her Standing There'.