

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 2023

Topic

The Year 5 topic this half term will be 'Anglo-Saxon and Viking Invaders'. The children will learn about why people invaded and settled in Britain. We will have a visit from an Anglo-Saxon lady.

In art, the children will create pottery inspired by that used by the invaders. In Design Technology, the children will learn to weave a decorative wall hanging and make Anglo-Saxon honey bread.

Reading

Reading is the most important skill a child can master. At Errington, the children complete a Star Reader test each half term. They will then be given a reading range from which to choose their reading books. Children read their book in school each day and are expected to read at home each night for at least 20 minutes. When they finish a book, they complete a quiz on the book in school. In addition to this, children work on Reading Plus at least 4 times a week and have a guided reading session with their teacher.

Reading records are used to keep track of reading at home. Please spend a couple of minutes filling this in with your child, ensuring it is returned to school daily with their reading book. Reading records will be checked by a teacher on a Wednesday

Science

In Science, our focus this term is 'Materials'. Over the half term, the children will learn about solids, liquids and gases, and investigate how these can be changed.

R.E

In RE this term, your child will be learning about what Christians believe.



reading plus

Home Learning

CENTURY

purple mash

In year Y5, children are provided with weekly homework and spellings to learn. These will go out on a Friday and must be returned on the following Wednesday. As a school, we provide the children with access to a range of exciting on-line learning environments. These include, Purple Mash, Times Tables Rock Stars, Reading Plus and Century. These can be found on the Learning Zone on the school website and on the Year 5 Share Point.

Maths

In maths, the children will consolidate their understanding of place value in numbers up to a million. They will add and subtract numbers with more than 4 digits and check their answers using inverses and approximation. The children will develop their understanding of multiplication through multiples, factors, prime numbers, square and cubed numbers. They will use place value to multiply and divide by 10,

English

In English, the children will consolidate their understanding of the basics in English, completing the unit 'Place Value of Punctuation and Grammar'. This will form the basis of all written work, so getting this foundation right is so important. Children will then write a non-chronological report based on the story Arthur and the Golden Rope.

Computing

In Computing, we will be working on developing our Coding skills. The children will design scenes and insert objects which they will control using computer code. They will learn to keep themselves safe online.

P.E.

Year 5 pupils will have PE twice a week on a Monday and Friday. On those days, we ask that your child wears a school P.E kit. This comprises of a pair of black shorts or joggers, a white t-shirt and trainers. On Mondays, children will be learning to play Quidditch. On Fridays, we will have a short session comprising of traditional playground games and some team games.