

History

- In spring 1, we will be looking at the Vikings: who they were and where they settled in Britain.
- In spring 2, our history topic will link with spring 1 and we will start to look at Norse culture, with a focus on *Beowulf*.
- We will aim to develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of world history, establishing clear narratives within and across the periods studied.
- We will also develop our understanding of how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources.

Geography

- In spring 1, we will be taking a look at migration and the effects of this on various countries.
- In spring 2, we will be taking a look at the geography of North and South America.

English

- In English, a lot of the work will be inspired by the book *'Viking Boy'*. Highlights include:
 - Writing formal and informal letters
 - Non-chronological reports
 - Exploring different types of poetry
 - Developing persuasive arguments
 - Descriptive writing, including stories from different perspectives.
 - Laying out of speech

Computing

In spring 1, we will be looking at data handling and developing an understanding of how companies use data.

In Spring 2, we will focus on stop motion animation and a broader look at e-safety.

Music

- In Oak class, we will be receiving whole-class guitar lessons from a visiting music teacher.

PE

- PE will be continue to be on a Wednesday afternoon.

RHE

- During RHE, we will be looking at citizenship and economic wellbeing.

Year 5/6: Oak Class

Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings

Save the Date!

6 Jan:	Start of Term 3
7 Jan:	Astrodome to visit
22 Jan:	Parent and pupil lunch
11 Feb:	Parents' evening (1)
12 Feb:	Parents' evening (2)
14 Feb:	Last day of Term 3
17-21 Feb:	HALF TERM
24 Feb:	Start of Term 4
5 March:	Ash service at St. Peter's
21 March:	Talent show
4 April:	Service at St. Peter's
	Last day of Term 4
30 March:	End of Term
7-18 April:	EASTER HOLIDAY

Art

- Spring 1: we will be exploring painting and mixed-media portraits.
- Spring 2: we will focus on textiles and we will work towards creating our own stuffed toys.

French

- French will be taught with a communicative approach, with a variety of activities supporting learning through speaking, listening, reading and writing.

RE

- Spring 1: we will be looking at "The People of God: How can following God bring freedom and justice?"
- Spring 2: we will be looking at the idea of salvation and resurrection.

Maths

- Ratio
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Algebra (year 6)
- Units of measurement (and converting between them)
- Perimeter, area and volume

Science

During our "Earth and Space" unit in Spring 1, we will look at early and current models of our solar system, how day and night work and the planets in our solar system.

Spring 2 will focus on life cycles of a variety of animals, and reproduction in plants.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and, for the most part, will be expected back the following Friday.

- Homework will include weekly times table practice, spellings and daily reading.
- Work will also be set weekly on Mathletics.
- Reading records are to be completed every day and brought to school every day.
- A longer, topic-based homework might be set once a term, which could span several weeks.