

Year 5

2017-2018



We have a variety of interesting themes this year which we hope will inspire and motivate your children and encourage them in their learning.

There is an overview of our Year 5 curriculum for the Spring 2 Half Term below. Please take the opportunity to discuss their work with your child and if you require any more information on the themes, any of us here in Year 5 will be happy to help. We welcome your involvement in your child's education so if you feel that you can contribute in any way, please let us know.

As you know, we are very committed to our cross curricular approach to learning as we feel that it makes it relevant and fun for the children whilst challenging them and allowing them to develop their curiosity. Hopefully we will inspire a few of them to continue their learning about some of the themes outside of school along the way.

	<b>Spring Term 1 The Vikings.</b>	<b>Spring Term 2 The Maya Civilisation</b>
UNICEF	<b>Our Theme this half Term is based around Vikings.</b>	<b>Our Theme this half Term is based around Mayans.</b>
<b>English</b>	This term our English is based around the theme of Vikings. We are looking over our range of grammar and punctuation in particular focusing on our range of sentence types to enhance our writing. We will be focusing on creating non-chronological reports, instruction writing and looking into Viking myths and mini sagas, looking in particular at Thor!	This term our English is based around the theme of Mayans. We are continuing looking over our range of grammar and punctuation in particular focusing on our range of sentence types to enhance our writing. We will be looking at explanation texts, Maya Adventure Stories, persuasive texts and much more!
<b>Mathematics</b>	In Maths this term we are starting Chapter 6 of our Singapore Maths programme. The class will be working through lots of different work on fractions before moving onto decimals and how we can link them both together.	In Maths this term we are looking at Chapter 7 and 8 of our Singapore Maths programme. We will be working at solving problems involving decimals before moving onto percentage and making links between the two.
<b>Science</b>	We will be looking into animals and humans in Science this term. We will spend time looking at timelines of human life and how we change as we grow older. As well as this, we will focus on life expectancy comparing human life to animal life.	Our topic in Science this term is Forces. We will be focusing in particular on balanced and unbalanced forces as well as looking at a wide range of forces including friction, air resistance and much more!
<b>Art &amp; Design</b>	In Art this term, we will be focusing planning and designing our own Viking Longboats.	In Art this term, we will be sketching Maya mask designs before creating our own.
<b>Computing</b>	Computing this term will see Year 5 become website designers! We will look at what makes a good website and design our own to inform everybody what we have learnt on the Vikings.	In computing this half term we are putting the final touches to our websites and adding more content. We will also look further into coding.
<b>D&amp;T</b>	Our D&T links to our theme project of looking into the design on Viking Longboats and Longhouses and what made the Vikings so successful at travelling.	We will be working on different projects in D&T including creating our own face masks with Maya designs.
<b>Geography</b>	Our geography again links to our theme focusing	Our geography links to our theme looking at the

	on where the Vikings came from and which different countries they invaded. We are also looking at the different settlement areas all over Britain and the areas they were in.	location of the Mayan countries using our map reading skills to look at Central America in detail. We will also locate key Maya cities and what they are like today.
<b>History</b>	History this half term will involve looking into timelines of the key events in the time period of the Vikings whilst also looking at why they invaded Britain and some of the main battles including Lindisfarne. We will also make links to the Anglo Saxons.	History this half term will involve looking into timelines of the key events in the time period of the Mayans and how they lived. We will look at Mayan Gods, number and writing systems and much more.
<b>Music</b>	Year 5 will be using the programme Charanga this half term looking at the composition of music and our singing skills! Guitars will be continuing as an after school club for those interested in developing their guitar skills further.	
<b>PE</b>	Year 5 are lucky to have Widnes Vikings for PE this half term developing skills in sports such as Rugby. In indoor PE, we will be focusing on keeping fit and looking to create our own fitness video.	Year 5 are continuing to work on our fitness and running skills in PE this half term. We will also be learning the key skills of hockey and applying this to a game situation.

By following our new curriculum we anticipate that the majority of our children will have achieved all the Year 5 learning objectives by the end of the year.