

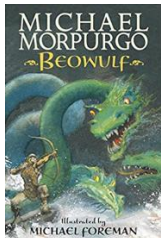
Dear Parents and Carers,

Hello. We'd like to welcome you to the new half term. This letter is just to give you an idea into what we will be doing, so as to give you an insight to your child's time in school.



We will be continuing learning about Invaders in our topic from our new curriculum. This curriculum takes the form of mini projects which really allow us to look at the subject in depth. So far, we have looked at the Anglo-Saxon invasion, we will be moving onto the Viking invasion from AD789. In Geography, we have learnt about the tropics and the countries of North and South America. We will be furthering our understanding of these geographical areas but also looking at local geography and doing a study on local transport links.

This half term in PE, we will do two units called 'Throw, Prepare, Catch' and 'Dual, Win, Lose'. These units use a range of modified practices and equipment to support the development of hand eye coordination, sending with and without implements, catching, tracking, chasing, striking and aiming.



In English, we will be reading Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo with the aim of writing a newspaper report. In reading we will be focusing on poetry from the book 'The Lost Words', improving our reading and comprehension skills, answering questions on the text and analysing the text. After the poetry, we will be reading the book Eye of the Wolf by Daniel Pennac.

In Maths, we will move onto working on to methods of Multiplication and Division, doing this both mentally and using more formal written methods. This will be an important area of Maths for the children and we will be working hard on learning the tables they do not know. By now most should be fluent with 2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables. Now, we will work on learning the 6,7,9,11 and 12 times tables. It is of particular importance for children to practise their times tables on TTRockstars regularly, especially the soundchecks which reflect the Multiplication Check that all Year 4 pupils nationally complete towards the end of Year 4.

In Science, we will be studying Food and the digestive system. They explore the main parts, starting with the mouth and teeth, identifying teeth types and their functions. They link this learning to animals' diets and construct food chains to show the flow of energy.

We will continue to use our music platform, Charanga, which the children seem to be thoroughly enjoying. This half term, we will learn how to play the glockenspiel. We will be learning musical notation and composing our own music using the notes D E and F.

In Art and Design, we will be doing a project called Warp and Weft which teaches children about the artform of weaving and how it has developed over time, including the materials and techniques required to create woven patterns and products. We will also be looking at Fresh food, good food in D&T, learning about healthy food and its packaging.

Thank you for all your help and support so far. Please contact us through the Year 4 email should you have any queries or concerns or speak to us on playground at the end of the day.

Mrs Washington, Mr Randviir and Mrs Nicholls ☺