

Our main topic for the second term is history and geography. We will focus on the invaders and settlers of the United Kingdom, with a focus on the Anglo Saxons in the first half of term, and the Vikings in the second half of term. We will locate and name principal cities, locate world countries and locate the main counties & cities in England.

Writing: We will be studying a famous poet, exploring their skills and techniques to help us with our own. We will look at the features of explanation texts and create our own based on our learning about Sutton Hoo. We will develop our instruction writing, our understanding of recount and our ability to add suspense to our own exciting mystery stories.

We will continue to teach whole class reading skills using the VIPERS method to focus on a key skill each week. We will reward reading at home with 'Golden Time' as this significantly improves reading skills more than any other method.

The main focus of these lessons is to investigate forces - designing fair experiments to investigate forces such as friction, gravity, air resistance, up thrust and magnetism.

Maths: We will deepen our understanding of place value, improve fluency in the four operations, build upon our knowledge of equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages in depth, and explore solving problems involving measures and statistics.

In Spanish we will focus on our topic 'All about me'. We will revise numbers to 30, days of the week, months of the year and when our birthday is, as well as learning about how to describe our likes and dislikes, our family and pets in Spanish.

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Journeys!

In PSHE we will focus on the theme of our wellbeing. We will look at different ways we can keep our body and mind as healthy as possible.

In Art and D&T we will study the art of Paul Klee. We will explore collage, weaving, sewing, pulleys, gears and levers. We will investigate boat design and look at Viking longboats.

In PE we will develop our swimming and dance skills. We will have outdoor P.E. on a Thursday afternoon and swimming on a Friday morning.

In R.E. we will explore the philosophy of what it means to be good. This will be taught as class discussions and through a range of religious perspectives.