



Ranworth Curriculum Newsletter ~ Autumn 1

Dear Parents,

I hope that you have all enjoyed the summer and that your children are excited for a new year at school. As you may already know, this half term we are exploring life in England during the invasion and settling of the Vikings.

Here is some information about what the children will be learning this half term:

<p>English Children will bring home spellings to learn each week. As part of the Primary Writing Project the children are developing their story telling and writing skills. This half term we will be focusing on writing a finding story and persuasive writing skills. We will also continue developing our GPS skills.</p>	<p>Maths In Maths we are using White Rose Maths resources. The children will develop their understanding of place value before moving onto addition and subtraction skills. Mathletics is a great way to practice the skills learned in class and develop rapid recall of number bonds and times tables.</p>	<p>Science We are focusing on sound this half term. We will be investigating how sounds are produced, how they travel and how we can change properties, such as pitch. We will finish this by creating our own junk music instruments.</p>	<p>Music The children will have an hour of music with Ms. Owen-Smith. This will be singing and percussion based on the requirements of the National Curriculum.</p>
<p>Topic: The Vikings We will be exploring life in England during the invasion and settlement of the Vikings. We will be doing lots of work to ensure the children have a clear understanding of the chronological order of the key events during this time and how these shaped the Britain we live in today.</p>			

Meet the Teacher:

Please come and join me on Tuesday 11th September at 3.15 when I will be sharing information about the year ahead and end of year expectations. This will also be the information sharing event for the residential trip to Kingswood.

Helpful Websites

Below you will find some websites that can be useful to support your children's learning at home on the internet.

Maths

www.mathletics.co.uk

Reading

www.oxfordowl.co.uk

Writing & GPS (Grammar Punctuation & Spelling)

www.spag.com

Topic related

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/ztyr9j6>

Books and Book Bags

Thank you for reading with your children and writing a comment in their reading records. It is very important that your child is reading every day. The children can change their books as soon as they have read them.

We will also be using the school library each week and the children will be choosing a book that interests them and bringing it home to share. These might not be books that the children can read independently, or, especially in the case of non-fiction books, ones that they want to read all of. Please help the children develop a love of reading by sharing these books with them, talking about why they chose them and then letting them return the books when they are ready.

P.E Kits

We plan to have PE. on Wednesday and Friday but please send the PE kits in on Monday and allow your child to leave their kit in school all week as they may need to do PE at different times to their usual lesson. The children will have PE outside on both days.

Details of PE kits are on the school website.

The children will also be completing the 'Daily Mile Challenge' each day so should have appropriate footwear to change into.

Snacks

A piece of fruit at morning break, which should now be brought from home.

Drinks

Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle, this should be placed on the shelf by the sink in the classroom. Milk that is ordered with school dinners will be given to children at morning break. Water will be the only drink provided at lunchtime.

Trip/Visit

- 26th – 28th September – Kingswood Residential

I hope that this information is useful, if you have any questions please do come and talk to us.

Kind Regards,

The Year 3/4 Team

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