



Year 5

Autumn 1 – Swords and Sagas (The Anglo-Saxons and Vikings)

This curriculum map provides an overview of what your child will be learning this half term. Wherever possible, learning will be linked to our focus topic, Swords and Sagas.



In **English**, we will be studying the traditional Anglo-Saxon tale, Beowulf. Our writing focus this half-term is description and we will describe characters and settings from Beowulf. We will also look at some of the language features used (e.g. fronted adverbials, Kennings) and aim to use these in our writing. Each week we will develop our spelling, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation. Our reading skills will be taught through the book, Land of Roar, which we will read throughout the term.

In **history**, we will learn about the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will investigate where they came from and why they came to Britain. We will analyse evidence and compare and contrast life under the rule of different invaders.

In **science**, we will group objects according to their properties and explore different solids. We will investigate the viscosity of liquids and learn about the different properties of metals and plastics. Throughout the term, we will plan and carry out fair tests.

In **maths**, we will be learning and investigating numerous concepts including:

- Ordering and comparing numbers up to 1,000,000, paying particular attention to place value.
- Rounding
- Addition and subtraction, becoming fluent in a variety of methods and mastering vertical written methods.
- Interpreting charts, timetables and line graphs and solving problems.
- Telling the time

In **art**, we will learn about printing techniques, developing and reflecting on our ideas.

In **French**, we will be learning some basic words and phrases to introduce the children to our modern foreign language.

In **music**, we will play basic rhythms on recorders and read notes on the treble clef staff. We will perform different rhythms using body percussion.

In **PE**, we will explore and combine the use of hand apparatus with gymnastics movements and skills.

In **computing**, we will review our 'Google Classroom' skills and e-safety. We will be learning about computer systems and networks

In **RE**, we will be learning about the Hindu concept of Karma and writing prayers around the theme of.

In **life skills**, our theme is relationships and we will also be learning how to manage our emotions in different situations.

If you have any questions regarding our curriculum, please speak to your child's class teacher