

Year 5 – Autumn Term One

Year 5 have had a fantastic start to the year! We've loved studying Beowulf in English- especially the gruesome bits. Hearing the story told around the fire pit in the Great Mead Hall at our trip to Jarrow Hall was pretty special too. We're building our confidence in maths. We've looked at time, place value, Roman numerals and rounding to 100,000. One of our favourite activities this term has been creating our own creatures, inspired by the poem the Jabberwocky, out of clay! Keep your eyes open for them creeping home soon!

Where the Anglo-Saxons really smashing?

This half term we have been learning all about the Anglo-Saxons. We've been studying why they settled in Britain, how they came across religion and laws, how Britain was ruled back then and what impact the time period has had on modern day society. We had a very informative time at Jarrow Hall too. It was great taking part in Anglo-Saxon life on the farm and then being part of a moot in the afternoon.



English – This half term we have been studying *Beowulf*, *Michael Morpurgo's edition* in English. We have focused on linking our history knowledge and the character studies to create a C.V. for Beowulf, a newspaper article about Grendel's defeat and we have used figurative language to create our own Kennings in poetry.



Maths – We've been doing lots on number this half-term building our confidence back up with fluency and then applying it to reasoning activities. We have recently started to apply all of our number knowledge to numbers with a higher place value – up to 100,000! We have sung our way through rounding with the rounding rap and we had great fun with Roman numerals. We are really enjoying Maths and are feeling really successful as well as having lots of fun!

Do all animals and plants start life as an egg? Science –

We've learned a lot about life cycles this half term: we have looked at the similarities and differences between seeds and eggs and we have studied the life cycle of a chicken. We have applied our findings of

Art/Design Technology –

This half term we've linked our art/DT to our theme of monsters this half term. We studied the poem the Jabberwocky and created images of what we thought the creature looked like. We then designed some of our own creepy creatures. We then used clay to model our creatures. We linked this to our English topic where we wrote poetry with kennings about our own 'Grendel'.



Spring Term Two:

- Geography: How can I map the world from space?
- Science: Will we ever get another human to the moon?
- English: Water Tower, Gary Crew
- Maths: The four operations, statistics