

Year 5 – Spring 1

Year 5 have settled wonderfully into the New Year! We have had a huge focus on Vikings this week and our book “How to be a Viking.” By Cressida Cowell has inspired us to produce some excellent Viking fact-files and in maths we have been working hard looking at perimeter and area and multiplication and division. We’ve thoroughly enjoyed becoming historians and exploring the answering the question “Were the Vikings always victorious and vicious?” and also becoming expert print-makers like Andy Warhol with our screen-printing project in art. We have also had a big focus on how we are changing and growing within PSHE and looking at the effects of puberty and how to look after ourselves during this time. We can’t wait for more learning in the next half-term ahead!

Were the Vikings always vicious and victorious?

We have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Vikings this half term. We have managed to plot the Viking era onto timelines showing when they were a force to be reckoned with, written evidence catalogues with detailing what the Vikings have left behind and as teams we have produced presentations about what life was really like in Viking Britain. We have blended lots of our historical and English skills during this unit!

English

This half term we have been looking at the book “How to be a Viking?” by Cressida Cowell. We have had a focus on retelling the story and finally producing our own informative Viking fact files. We used our historical knowledge and research skills to produce in depth texts that are full of technical language.

Maths

We have been working very hard in maths this half term looking at factors, multiples, prime, square and cube numbers. We moved onto looking at measurement, where we can now calculate the perimeter and area of rectangles, compound shapes and irregular shapes. Finally, we have looked at multiplication and division to help us solve problems. We have been extremely perseverant and tenacious!

Art and Design

This half term we have had the exciting task to channel our inner pop-artists and become screen printers. This was a new and challenging skill for all of us but we ended up with some fantastic final pieces. We began by looking into the history of screen printing and finally, using silk-screens, frames, paints and squeegees, managed to create some wonderful pieces of art.

