Year 5 Spring Term 2015



Welcome back to Woodcroft Primary School. This newsletter aims to give you information about the areas of the curriculum that Year 5 will be covering this Spring Term . Our Topic is INVADERS AND RAIDERS!!

Maths: We will be studying fractions, multiplication and division, decimal numbers, addition and subtraction, measures of angles and time, and describing properties and position of shape. Children will be using their knowledge to solve word problems, puzzles and investigations. Some aspects of maths will be included in other areas to the curriculum.

Literacy: We will be studying Viking myths, legends and poetry. Some work on reports, discussion and persuasive writing will be linked to the Vikings. Speaking and listening activities will include performance poetry and debates on issues related to the Vikings.

SCIENCE:

We will be looking at Materials and their properties. Plus changing materials and the states of matter.

Work on Forces will focus on air and water resistance.

COMPUTING:

We will be using graphic art packages to design jewellery. We will also be crypto—breaking codes (linked to runes), and using a virtual space architecture program, linking to designing the inside of a Viking Long House.

HISTORY: Children will be studying a <u>NEW</u> Year 5 topic — *THE VIKINGS*! Work will include historical thinking and enquiry using a variety of sources. They will be learning about why the Vikings invaded, about Viking life, customs, beliefs and laws, Viking Kings and Gods. Finally, why the Viking Era ended.



Year 5 Homework and PE Timetable

Monday Hand in spelling task. PE 5R/5V

Tuesday Library book

Wednesday

Thursday Brain Builder

PE-5R/5V

Friday Spelling and MM test

Special points of interest:

- Year Five need their PE kits on Monday and Thursday.
- Library books due in Tuesday
- Children need to practice times tables, spellings. Plus reading everyday—minimum 20mins.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY:

Pupils will research, design and make a jewellery piece linked to the style of the Viking jewellery.

In Food technology the pupils will investigate types of bread with different mixtures and toppings. They will carry out a survey and make a flat bread with choice of topping.

GEOGRAPHY:

Linking with our Viking Topic, pupils will locate the significant Viking settlements and find out about the reasons they developed and grew in size.

Spanish:

Speaking and listening in Spanish will be taught focusing on a greetings conversation, where you live, likes and dislikes and clothing.

ART:

Create Nordic designs using a variety of different media.

Research different crafts from the Viking era.

Using pastels/paints to create a picture that shows the Viking Invasion across the stormy seas.



PE:

Sports activities will be taught by Mr Raw. Pupils will take part in a gymnastics unit supported by Mr Judd.

Dance Unit will be linked to the Vikings topic.

We hope you find this newsletter informative and please do not hesitate to speak to us if you would like any further information. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for their continued support.

Kind regards

Ms Vanner and Mr Rees



Don't forget to log in onto our school website and the Treehouse!

