

# Year 5 Autumn 2 Newsletter

October 2023

Just like that, we're into Autumn 2! Our first half term back at school was jam packed with fantastic things. The children worked so hard and I hope this continues throughout this half term. Thank you for your support at home.

Children all now have access to Reading Plus, SPaG.com, MyMaths and Times Table Rockstars. These apps will really help your child excel. Please encourage use outside of school.



In R.E we will be continuing our topic 'Life choices' where the children have been looking into marriage and the choices we make throughout our lives. Additionally, we are exploring the religion Judaism. We will also be looking at 'Hope' which is our advent topic.

We are continuing our multiplication and division topic currently and then we will be moving onto fractions. Times table facts are so important for this topic, so please continue to support your child with their maths knowledge through Times Table Rockstars and MyMaths.

Towards the end of the term we will be looking at area and perimeter. We will be working with shapes and measurements and applying these skills to real life situations.



## History

Within our history topic, we will be studying Anglo Saxons and Vikings. We will be looking at what led the Anglo Saxons to settle in Britain and also diving into what life was like during this period.

We will also be looking at the North East area, specifically Lindisfarne, to discuss what happened here during this time period.

In Science, we will be learning about magnets, forces and movements through planning enquiries, taking measurements and interpreting results.



## Writing

In English, we are starting with a persuasive speech! The children will be trying to persuade me to let them bring pets to school using all their fantastic grammar skills. After that, we will be looking into biographies until Christmas.

## Spelling

Spellings can be found on the school website. The children will receive spelling homework weekly for them to practise at home, this must be returned to me before Friday each week. Spelling tests are every **Friday** afternoon.



## Reading

Reading is a great strength within our class. We are continuing to instil a passion for reading within our school, your guidance and support outside of school really does contribute to this!

As mentioned above, the children have access to Reading Plus. They all have been given log ins, but please contact me if you cannot get access at home.

Reading day is still a Wednesday, so please ensure your child has their book and home reading log.

P.E is on a **Tuesday** and a **Thursday**. Please make sure that P.E kits are worn on to come into school on this day. This is blue or black shorts/ joggers/ leggings, a white t-shirt or school polo and a blue jumper/ hoodie.

Most children are attending the residential to the Youth Ministry Village from November 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>.

The KS2 Christmas Concert is on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.