



Years 5 and 6

Autumn term 2019

# The Dark Ages...

Why were the years between 410-1066AD known as the Dark Ages in Britain?

## English

**Reading-** Both Y5 and Y6 will be focusing on retrieving and recording information and details from a text. You can support with this at home by asking your children questions about what they have read. We actively encourage lots of reading at home- it doesn't just have to be their school reading book.

Y5 class text - Varjak Paw by SF Said

Y6 class text - Time Travelling with a Hamster by Ross Welford

**Writing-** To begin the term, we will be writing descriptions of characters and settings. Our main focus will be on developing our use of vocabulary to add precise detail. On the homework sheets, the wow word of the week will be linked to our writing. You can support your children by discussing these and other similar words.

**Grammar-** In Y5/6, our first grammar focus will be on the use of standard English within our writing. You can support your child by encouraging them to proof read their sentences when completing homework and ensuring that the correct punctuation etc is being used.

**Spelling-** 12 weekly spellings taken from the Y5/6 spelling curriculum will be sent home each week. The spelling pattern/rule will be clearly marked on the homework sheet. 10 of the words will be linked to the new spelling pattern/rule. 2 of the words (highlighted in bold) will be recapping the previous week's pattern/rule. You can support your child at home by encouraging use of the Spelling Shed app to learn their spelling words, playing different spelling games and also testing them on their spellings.

## Y5 maths

Power Maths Textbook A

Both classes will start the term with place value and calculation units of work.

You can support your child by:

## Y6 maths

Power Maths Textbook A

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You can support your child by: