

Years 5 and 6 Autumn term 2021

Is calling the Vikings vicious killers and thieves fair?

RE

This term, Year 5 will be learning about core Hindu and Islamic beliefs and how these impact on the lives of individuals.

Year 6 will start the term with an 'Understanding Christianity' unit thinking about God - what does it mean if God is loving and holy?

History and Geography

Our topic this term centres around the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England. We will be looking closely at key events and individuals during this time period, including the Viking raid on Lindisfarne and archaeological discoveries that tell us more about this time period, including the finds at Sutton Hoo.

Computing

Both classes will begin the term looking at flow charts and their links to selection and variables (planning algorithms). We will then move onto using Microsoft Word with Y5 focusing on spell check and thesaurus functions and Y6 focusing on shortcuts. eSafety will be threaded throughout all lessons.

French

Both classes will continue to develop their understanding and application of the French language.
Year 5- Discussing hobbies, sharing simple opinions and describing the weather
Year 6- Discussing food, revision of days of the week/months of the year and weather

Science

This term in science, children will be learning about Evolution and Inheritance. They will be exploring how offspring vary and are not identical to their parents and how living things have adapted to suit changes in their environments over time. Children will also be digging deeper into evolution and the work of Charles Darwin.

Art and DT

Inspired by the discovery at Sutton Hoo, the children will be recreating their own reconstruction of the iconic Sutton Hoo helmet using papier mache and embossing techniques. During DT week, the children will be consolidating and extending their hand sewing skills and using a sewing machine.

Music

In music this term, we are working with the Lincolnshire Music Service.
Year 5 will be learning how to play a trumpets and trombones and Year 6 will be composing their own music using Garage Band.

PE

In PE this term, children will be continuing their Real PE journey. Our first unit will focus on:
• Coordination: Ball Skills
• Agility: Reaction/Response
We will be using these skills to develop our knowledge of how to play a simple game of tennis.

Special days

Beastly Brilliance Week - Wb Monday 6th September 2021

In our first week back, we will be focusing on each of our Beastly Brilliance animals and thinking carefully about what makes a good learner, as well as setting goals for the year, starting our new topic and reflecting on our school values.

WOW day- Friday 10th September 2021

We are pleased to welcome Historic Workshops back to school for a fun filled day of archeology, battle tactics and digging deeper into the life of a Viking.

Y6 will begin swimming lessons in the second week back. More information will follow about this.

How to help at home:

- Read daily at home
- Support children to complete weekly homework tasks
- Test children on their spellings and any learn its
- Support children to parts of the project homework
- Keep an eye on Twitter for class news and events

Miss Hayward [@misshaydspag](https://twitter.com/misshaydspag)
Mrs Bradley [@mrsbradleyspag](https://twitter.com/mrsbradleyspag)