

# Year 4 Teaching and Learning Newsletter

#### Messages:

Our new History topic this term is the Vikings and Anglo Saxons . We will learn about where they came from, why they chose to invade Britain, their kings, their everyday lives and also the impact they had on modern life.

Please continue to send in Topic Home Learning Work throughout the Term

## Peek at our Term...

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### What we already know

- Column addition and subtraction
- Written forms of multiplication and division
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- · Reading the time (digital and analogue)
- Co-ordinates

### What we are going to learn

Adding and subtracting fractions

Converting fractions to decimals

Grid method for multiplication and bus stop for division.

Converting measures of capacity and mass.

### Activities you can do at home

Mental addition and subtraction when paying for items in the shops.

Support your child with TT Rockstars -<u>Times Tables Rock Stars: Play</u> (ttrockstars.com)

and if they are struggling with a particular multiplication tablepractise it on hit the button. Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds (topmarks.co.uk).

### Reading

### What we already know

- identify and make notes of the main points of section(s) of text
- infer characters' feelings in fiction and consequences in logical explanations
- identify how different texts are organised, including reference texts, magazines, leaflets, on paper and on screen
- explore how different texts appeal to readers using varied sentence structures and descriptive language

## What we are going to learn

Reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes

Using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read Increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally

### Activities you can do at home

Read with your child regularly and check that they are reading and quizzing on MyOn.

At the weekends why don't you take your child to The Oldham Library to pick books of their own choice and join in with the Free weekend

https://www.oldham.gov.uk/info/200395/find\_a\_library/722/oldham\_library\_and\_lifelong\_learning\_centre

Write a book review on a book they have enjoyed

### Writina

### What we already know

- show relationships of time, reason and cause, through subordination and connectives
- compose sentences using adjectives, verbs and nouns for precision, clarity and impact
- clarify meaning through the use of exclamation marks and speech marks

### What we are going to learn

Use of possessive apostrophe accurately in regular plurals (e.g. girls', boys') & in words with irregular plurals (e.g. children's)

Use first 2 or 3 letters of a word to check spellings in a dictionary

use commas after fronted adverbials
use time connectives (conjunctions, adverbs and
prepositions)

use and punctuate direct speech

### Activities you can do at home

Ask your child to write a fact file about their topic learning to share with a family member for a "REAL" purpose.

Pay particular attention to capital letters and full stops.

### Science

### What we already know

- Plants
- Animals
- Light
- · Rocks and magnets
- Sound and Electricity

### What we are going to learn

- Sort materials into solids, liquids and gases.
- Explain that heating causes melting, and cooling causes freezing.
- Identify the melting and freezing point of water.
- Describe the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

### Activities you can do at home

Watch some of the clips on states of matter on BBC Bitesize\_

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkgg87h

Can the children make notes on what they have learnt

Can they think of their own investigation to explore changing states of matter?



## **SUMMER 2023**

### What we already know

- The Ancient Greeks History
- Great Britain Geography
- The Romans History
- The Rainforest and Our World Geography

### What we are going to learn

Where the Vikings came from and why they raided Britain

Key Anglo Saxon Kings and how they shaped Britain.

Law and Justice in Anglo Saxon Britain.

### Activities you can do at home

Make and label a Viking Longship.

Write a diary entry as a Viking about what life was like.

Research Anglo Saxon Kings and create a fact file on their impact on Britain.

### What we already know

- Worship- Christianity, Hinduism,
- About the Jewish people's religion
- How Jewish people celebrate
- Hinduism and their traditions and celebrations.
- Why do some people think Jesus is inspirational?

### What we are going to learn

Temptations, right and wrong.

Hinduism and what helps Hindu people as they try to be good

### Activities you can do at home

Discuss whether if you do something wrong can it be put right?

Research how Hindus make a difference in the world wide community.

### **PSHE** including RHE

### What we already know

- That rules are important
- To set targets for ourselves
- To share our feelings

### What we are going to learn

Our bodies need good quality sleep for good health

How to manage good oral hygiene

Our bodies will begin to change

### Activities you can do at home

Talk about why it is important that we keep our

Keep a sleep diary to check they are getting enough good quality sleep.

### Reminders:

Please can we remind all children to wear their PE kits, on the days specified below.

- PE lessons are on Monday There is no games lesson the first half term although we do take part in a daily mile to keep us moving. Summer 2 we will have games on Friday.
- PE lessons are on Monday and Games/Sports development lessons are on Friday.
- There is no games lesson the SECOND half term although we do take part in a daily mile to keep us moving.
- It is important to send your child to school EVERYDAY- with their book bags, the children should have their iPads and Reading book
- and reading record- at all times.

Home learning should be completed weekly (by the weekend of the academic week).



### <u>Important events this term:</u>

- Good Work Assembly Monday
- Singing Assembly Tuesday
- Class Assembly Wednesday
- Reflection Assembly (classroom) Thursday
- Whole School Assembly Friday

Class blogs are updated on Friday and Home Learning is set on Monday. www.greenhill.theharmonytrust.org



We are looking forward to this term.

Remember, if you wish to speak to your child's class teacher, please ring the office to book an appointment.