

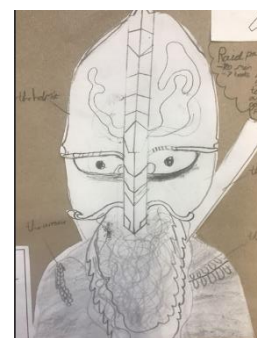
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## Year 5 & 6 Summer Newsletter

Welcome back to the summer term. It seems like we flew through spring and here we are in our final term of the year! We had a busy end to the last term with NSPCC workshops, another Year 6 Engage week with The Place and York University and of course our trip to Jorvik and Dig which we all enjoyed. We were thrilled that so many of you were able to join us for the café assemblies where we were able to share our learning with you. Once again thank you for your support with these events.

### What have we been learning?

Our Big Question was **Saxon & Viking Settlement – Who Did It Better?** We looked at the settlement of these two groups and the impact they had on Britain. We were able to compare the different approaches they took to coming to live in this country and the reasons why they came. Much of our English work was based around the Anglo Saxon story of Beowulf which we all enjoyed!

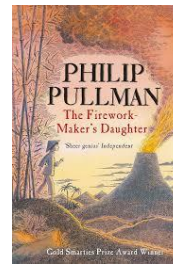
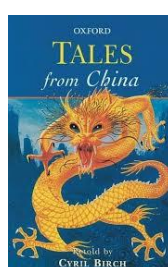
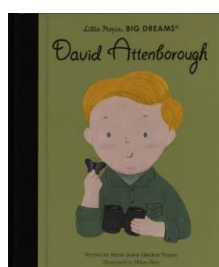


### What are we learning about now?

Year 6 will be spending the next few weeks getting themselves fully ready for their SATs tests. They have worked incredibly hard this year and we are very proud of them. We know how hard they will continue to work in this final push. Year 5 will begin the new science based topic **called Humans vs Animals**. The big question they will be considering is: **'How do living things change?'** Year 6 will begin this topic after SATs. In the final half of summer term, we will all be studying **Great Civilisations** and our big question will be: **'What can we learn about the Shang Dynasty?'**

### Class Texts

We will be looking at the following texts this term to support our learning.







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## Supporting your child at home

As you know, we don't set formal homework each week but we do ask that you support us with some learning at home. We feel that it is really important that the children get into good habits with home working as well as giving you an opportunity to see how they are progressing in different areas of the curriculum.

<p><b>Regular Reading.</b> Your child will have a reading book that they bring home each day in their reading folder. We ask that the children or you make at least 3 entries into their reading records so that we can track how they are getting on. They can also go on Reading Plus at home.</p>	
<p><b>Regular Times Tables Practice</b> We encourage children to continue to access TT and practise at home. We know that all that hard work will be lost if they don't come back to their times tables regularly.</p>	
<p><b>Learning Spellings</b> Each child will be set 10 spellings from the weekly spelling lists for year 5 and 6, which will be given in the yellow spelling books, which the children keep in their reading folders. You can practise them for the weekly test in any way that is helpful.</p>	
<p><b>Learning by Questions</b> We have been excited to use this in school and the children really enjoy this way of learning. Throughout the term, staff will begin setting some optional home learning related to content that they are studying in school. You can find their LBQ log in inside their reading records. If you are unsure- please just ask your child's teacher.</p>	

## **PE Days**

Your child will take part in PE twice a week. Please send your child in their PE kit on their allocated days. Full PE kit details can be found on the school website. Please see below for your child's PE days.

5SH	Tuesday	Wednesday
5MJ	Wednesday	Friday
5YT	Tuesday	Friday
6KG	Tuesday	Thursday
6CD	Tuesday	Thursday
6LS	Tuesday	Thursday

## **How can I keep up to date with everything?**

Please keep a look out for Marvellous Me notifications where we will continue to celebrate successes and notify you of any updates. Our Facebook pages is updated regularly – please follow us if you don't already! Letters will be emailed and the website is regularly updated too.

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We're all available for a quick chat in the playground after school should you need to catch us but we know many year 5 and 6 parents do not regularly drop off or collect their children, so please call or email the office to contact us with any questions or queries.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Sweeney (Year 5&6 Lead) and the UKS2 team.



Mrs Sweeney  
6LS



Mrs Gudgeon  
6KG



Mrs Douglas  
6LS



Mrs Thompson  
5YT



Mrs Hill  
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