

Diary Dates



Welcome To Year 5!

Music tuition starts

Monday 10th

September

Year 5 parent meeting

12th September 15:30

Individual photos

13th September

European day of languages

26th September

Year 5 Mass

28th September

School Disco

18th October

INSET day

26th October

HALF TERM

29th October-2nd November

Year 5 Assembly

16th November

5C: 09:10

5E: 15:00

Enterprise week

26-30th November

Year 5 Advent Celebration

4th December 18:30

Frost fair

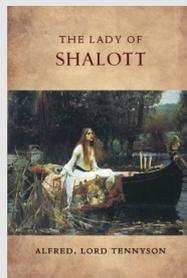
30th November

Christmas Holidays

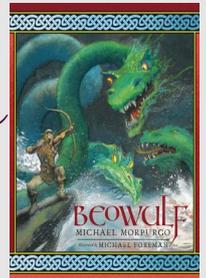
24th December-4th January

Firstly, we would like to wish a very warm welcome to all of year 5 and to parents. The year 5 team is made up of Mr Jukes, Mr Astle, Miss Nicholson and Miss Barrett (who are all excited to be joining the year 5 team!). As the children move to the upper key stage two, year five is an exciting time and we aim to ensure that the children will be working hard and challenging themselves to become excellent, enthusiastic and independent learners. We have got a brand-new, exciting term to look forward to, crammed with opportunities for the children to explore and embark on great adventures and discoveries, as our over-arching theme for this term is...

Myths and Legends



Using 'The Lady of Shalott' and 'Beowulf' as a starting point, the children will discover all about Anglo-Saxons and Vikings.



In **RE**, we will focus on three topics this term: **Ourselves, Life Choices** and **Hope**. The children will explore the scriptures in depth and opportunity will be provided for collective and individual work on what it means to be ourselves as created in God's image, the choices we make in our lives and waiting in the joyful hope for the coming of Jesus during Advent.

In **English**, we will be studying a range of text types linked to our Viking and Anglo Saxon theme including poetry, diary entries, letter writing and information pages. The children will have a particular emphasis on sentence openers and using conjunctions. In addition to this we will follow the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) programme for year 5.

In **Mathematics**, we will be developing written calculation strategies for subtraction, addition, division and multiplication, including understanding place value of larger digit numbers and decimals to thousandths. We will also look at applying our knowledge of such strategies through engaging problem-solving tasks which will require the children to use reasoning skills to give their answer.

A knowledge of and an ability to recall multiplication and division facts quickly will give children a great advantage! The children can practise their multiplication and division facts using TTRockstars.

How you can help

- Homework will be given out on **Mondays** and collected on the following Monday. Please ensure children complete their homework and practise spellings as these may be called upon during our lessons.

- It is important that your child is practising their times tables facts – please keep checking them regularly.

-Children will be encouraged to read accelerated reader books, library books and other texts. Please read with your child to instil a love of reading.

-There is a page to record and rate books in their homework books.

- If your child's collection arrangements change please could you inform us by sending in a letter with your child.

Through **Geography** and **History**, Children will be learning about Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. The children will learn all about where Vikings came from and where they invaded through many cross-curricular lessons. This will also tie in with our topic in Design and Technology, in which the children will be able to create long boats and shields and much more.

In **Science**, children will be investigating through a series of practical sessions on materials and forces. The children will classify materials and test for properties including solubility and thermal conductivity.

Through our forces topic the children will investigate causes of friction, air and water resistance.

Our theme continues in **Computing** where the children will be designing, writing and debugging programs and using coding systems to create a new characters. They will also use iPads, desktops and notebooks to carry out independent research linked to topics to create their own documents and presentations.

We will be studying the works of Anglo-Saxon and Viking artists in **Art and Design**, as the children develop their creative skills through the use of various mediums such as ink, charcoal, and collage.



Our outdoor **PE** lessons for the first half term will be led by Premier Sports, who will provide additional teaching on **invasion games**, such as football, dodgeball and capture the flag. There will also be the opportunity to learn outdoors in a six week forest school programme in sharpill woods.



Year five will also continue **French with Madame Wilks**, building up a vocabulary bank and essential conversation skills through singing and other interactive media. Pupils will have an opportunity to practice their pronunciation through speaking and listening activities.

