

# Invaders & Settlers

Year 3 (Pine & Ash classes)  
Autumn term 2018



## Key Areas of Learning

Welcome back and a warm welcome to Year3. We have lots of exciting things planned this year. Please do come and see us if you would like to share any expertise on any of our topics.

As Historians, we will be learning about Invaders and Settlers. We will explore the treasures of Anglo Saxon England and start to learn how our knowledge of the past comes from a variety of sources. We will be researching and answering our own questions about the Anglo Saxons and Vikings in Britain.

As Geographers, we will be looking closely at the United Kingdom. We will find out about the physical and human make up of Britain. We will look at different place names and research their origins.

As Artists and Designers, we will be designing and making shields & masks. We will be experimenting with different types of pencils and other implements to draw different forms and shapes.

To enrich our curriculum we have an Anglo Saxon Village Life workshop on the 24<sup>th</sup> September – look out for letters about this. Our International Week will centre around International Evening on the 4<sup>th</sup> October.

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## ENGLISH

We follow the national curriculum programme of study for Year3 and apply this with writing and reading for purpose using our values of Trust and Freedom. As well as reading James and the Giant Peach and The Worst Witch in Guided Reading, we will be using 'Amina's Blanket' as inspiration for our writing. Throughout the term, we will continue to develop our comprehension skills and to learn and apply spelling rules.

For our writing, we will look at a range of genres including letters, poetry and stories focusing on being a refugee as well as a recount about a day in the life of a Viking.

## MATHEMATICS

We continue with Inspire maths

## SCIENCE

In Science, we will learning about rocks and soils. We will be developing our scientific enquiry skills and asking relevant questions. We will be comparing and grouping together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. We will describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. We will be able to recognise that soils are made from rocks and other organic matter. After half term we will be focussing on light and shadow.

## PE

In P.E. this term we will be commencing the 'Real PE' programme of study. This will be taught weekly and will focus on agility, balance and coordination. We will also be learning Tag Rugby. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school every day and it is clearly labelled.

## RE

This term in R.E., we will be learning about Hindu religion and festivals, especially Diwali. We will also learn about Harvest Festival and the significance of Christmas.

## COMPUTING

This term we will be learning to be computer programmers. In this unit, the children create an animated cartoon using characters they design. We use a paint tool to create characters and backgrounds. We then create an animation by translating a storyboard into a series of scripted instructions

## P4C and PSHCE

Our values this term are: Trust and Freedom. We will be exploring these through our weekly P4C sessions as well as in whole school assembly time. In PSHCE our themes will be 'New Beginnings' and 'Getting on and 'Falling Out'. These are linked to our school values.

## MUSIC

In Music this term, we will

## FRENCH

In our French lessons this term, we will learn vocabulary associated with our topics of hobbies and school and we will continue to develop our conversational skills.