

PE

Swimming lessons are on Wednesdays. Goggles are not permitted unless for a medical condition when a letter is required. Your child must bring a coat to school on swimming days as they can get very cold after their swim.

This term, PE lessons will be on Tuesdays. Children need to have trainers or plimsolls in school every day to enable them to use the climbing frame. Also, with the weather turning colder, please make sure your children have warm clothes for outdoor PE sessions.

Please ensure that all of your children's clothes are named.

French

The children will be learning basic French vocabulary each week through speaking and singing. They will be able to hold simple conversations and will also be learning the days of the week, months of the year, how to count and the names of colours in French.

Music

The children will be listening to and making music using their voices and a range of tuned and un-tuned instruments. They will be learning simple notation. All children in Y3 and some children in Y4 will have a weekly tenor horn lesson with Mr Lavelle.



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**Class Teacher: Miss Riches
Thursdays: Mrs Harvey
Teaching Assistant: Mrs Rozier**

Topic

For the first half term our topic is the Vikings. We will look at where the Vikings came from, how they invaded Britain, and learn about their culture and way of life. The children will also use ICT skills to undertake related research. After half term our topic will be Space. We will learn about the planets and other objects in our solar system.

Mathematics

The main focus this half-term will be on the manipulation of number. This includes mental and written addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and is aimed at building children's confidence and fluency with the manipulation and calculation of numbers. Times tables will be tested each Tuesday. All children should know number bonds to 20 (such as $17 + 3$) and by the end of Year 4, number bonds to 100 ($48+52$).

Science

This half term, we will be looking at light. The children will learn about sources of light, how shadows are formed and make their own shadow puppets. After half term we will be looking at sound. We will learn about how sound is made through vibration in instruments and how both pitch and volume can be changed.

English

We will use our Topic as a basis for much of our work in English. For example, we will be writing diaries from the point of view of Vikings, and write our own versions of Vikings myths. The children will also write different forms of poetry. The children will be expected to review, edit and improve their writing and to provide constructive criticism of the writing of others.

Reading

Children will be reading every day at school and will also take part in guided reading and comprehension activities. Please encourage your children to read at home and remember reading doesn't always have to be books; magazines, comics, and newspapers are also great reading material.

Spelling

Spellings will be given to the children every Friday and tested the following Friday. This gives you and your child the option of learning them on a school night or at the week-end. There will also be regular spelling lessons.

Handwriting

There will be weekly handwriting activities to ensure the children's writing fluency and to improve presentation.