

Autumn 1 Topic Map

English

Persuasive writing including brochures & leaflets - analysing and writing.

Recounts: diary, informal letters.

Play scripts.

Mathematics

Times Tables up to 12x12.

Counting Partitioning & calculating mentally.

Securing number facts, understanding shape, 2D and 3D.

Handling data and measures.

Science

Classification of plants & animals.

Diet exercise, drugs and lifestyles.

Revision of Living things

Topic Title

"I'm a Viking - Get
Me out of here!"

History

Anglo Saxon /Viking struggle for the
kingdom of England.

Geography

Physical Geography -Mapping skills and field
work.

Human Geography - The importance of water in
Viking and Anglo Saxon settlements.

Computing

Algorithms and programs

Using the Internet safely

Art and Design

Create a map of the local area from
a bird's eye view

From Photographs create a painting of the
local area.

DT

What did the Vikings eat - creating a Viking
meal?

PE

Indoor PE - Gymnastics

Outdoor PE - Throwing and catching
accurately, could you catch a dragon?

Music

Interpreting Viking sailor songs and creating
music

Hymns for Mass

PSHCE

Myself and others

Upper KS2 Half Termly Curriculum Overview

Year 6 - Autumn 1

Dear Parents, welcome back after the summer break to another school year. The children have made an excellent start in Year 6 and are positive about year 6 being a successful year. I am pleased to provide you with information about what the children will be covering in the different subjects during the first half of the Autumn term. We have a new curriculum beginning this academic year. If you wish to know more about it, visit the DfE website for more information. See overleaf for the topic map for this half term. Mrs Roberts will continue to cover PPA time in class, working on Spanish, grammar and punctuation as well as mental maths skills.

RE Topics for the Autumn Term

Autumn Term is the study of 'Our Story', where the children learn from the Holy Trinity about 'The Father'.

The first theme covers the Domestic Church, specifically our Family. Year 6 will be studying the Topic of Loving - A god who never stops loving.

The second theme covers Baptism/Confirmation, specifically our belonging, where year 6 will study Vocation and Commitment - The vocation of priesthood and religious life.

The third theme covers our expectations during Advent and our preparations for the arrival of the Son of God.

Concerns and messages

If you have any concerns or problems, please do not hesitate to come in and see me at the end of the school day. Any messages in the morning must be left with a Teaching Assistant on the junior gate and they will be passed directly to me.

Reading

In line with our school policy the children will develop their reading in class throughout the week through shared reading and guided reading sessions and I shall be monitoring their reading progress carefully each week with my own records.

The reading records are for parents to record your child's reading at home. We ask all our junior children to read for 15 minutes each night. Although I will be keeping my own record of your child's reading progress it would be really helpful if you could make comments in your child's reading record book each time they read, to let me know how they have coped with a book at home. Home reading records are checked and once a week their home reading is acknowledged and a target will be highlighted in the book.

If your child reads any other reading material as well as their reading book from school please also make a note of it in their reading record. The home reading record is also a good way to make contact with me if you wish to send me a message and cannot get into school.

Healthy School Initiative

As part of the healthy school initiative, we will continue to encourage the children to be active at playtimes. Children will be encouraged to drink **water** throughout the day; therefore it is important that the children have their bottles in everyday! It makes it easier for the children if the bottles have a sports top, as it would prevent any unnecessary spillage. Healthy snack days will continue to be Monday to Thursday and the children will be given the opportunity to eat their snacks during morning playtimes.

Homework

Maths homework will be given out on a Monday to be handed in on the following Friday.

In addition, Mrs Roberts Maths homework is handed out on Tuesday, to be completed daily and is to be handed in on the following Tuesday

Literacy homework will be given out on a Wednesday and is to be handed in the following Wednesday.

Spellings will be given out on a Thursday and tested on the following Thursday.

Science Homework will be given out on a Friday and is to be handed in the following Monday.

Reading - Each child should read for a minimum of 15 minutes per night and complete their reading records.