



**ROBSACK WOOD**  
PRIMARY  
ACADEMY



## Year 5 Newsletter

### Term 1

### Invasion!

#### DATES

##### Meet the Teacher

12.09.19

3:30pm

##### Private Peaceful at the White Rock

03.10.19

##### Parent Consultation

16.10.19

2:30pm

##### Anglo-Saxon day

23.10.19

##### Last day of Term 1

24.10.19

##### INSET days

25.10.19, 04.11.19

#### ENGLISH

This term the pupils will be exploring the key text "Varmints". The story provides the opportunity for pupils to reflect on the world we live in and the challenges we face as a species. We will teach spelling and handwriting as separate sessions and will implement this learning throughout the curriculum.

Our Destination Reader text is Beowulf. Pupils will learn to apply their understanding and comprehension by using a range of different reading skills.

#### MATHS

This term will begin with a focus on number and place value. The pupils will develop their understanding of numbers up to 1,000,000. This will include reading and writing the numerals as well as calculating using powers of 10. Pupils will then move on to revisiting addition, subtraction, multiplication and division using a range of mental and written methods. Pupils will be assessed initially with times table knowledge, then focus on their own identified times tables.

#### WELCOME BACK

Mrs Wright will be teaching in Redwood class this year. Mr Gerrard will be teaching in Rowan class this year. Miss Mugeridge will be teaching in Redwood on Monday mornings and Miss Wilson will be teaching in Rowan all day on Mondays. The year group will be supported by Miss Webb, Miss Hollett. Mrs Bolt is a graduate teaching working in Redwood.

#### READING JOURNALS

Pupils will be provided with a Reading Journal, which will include a range of age appropriate reading activities for children to complete based on their current reading book. At least one activity should be completed each week, but children may do as many as they wish. Please support and encourage your child with this process.

"Invasion" is our cross-curricular topic for Term 1. Within this topic, the pupils will have exciting opportunities to extend their knowledge of Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will be incorporating subjects such as DT & ART, making things such as shields and helmets. The pupils will learn all about warfare, how long both groups of invaders and settlers were in Britain for, as well as the impact that they had upon British life - both then and now!



Towards the end of the term, we will finish off the topic with an Anglo-Saxon day. This will include a range of activities based on that period in history. Pupils are invited to come to school wearing an Anglo-Saxon costume. A letter will be sent out with further details later in the term.

In music, pupils will have opportunities to develop their understanding of rhythm by creating Viking/Nordic inspired chants.

#### RE

Pupils will explore God the Creator and focus on stories from the Book of Genesis.

#### PSHEE

Topics we will cover health and wellbeing, media expectations vs. reality and developing independence, increased responsibility and how to keep safe.

#### COMPUTING

Pupils will explore multimedia and word processing skills. There will also be a touch typing club on offer at lunchtimes this term.

#### REMINDERS

Pupils will need a PE kit in the academy which should consist of green shorts, a plain white t-shirt with trainers or plimsolls. Please ensure your child's PE kit is named. During the colder months, pupils will be able to wear tracksuit bottoms. PE sessions for both classes will be on a Monday and Friday afternoon.

#### MATHLETICS

Mathletics passwords will be sent out in the first week - please encourage your child to regularly use this at home to consolidate their learning in the academy.