



Newsletter Term One

Updates and reminders

Welcome Back: Mrs Wright will be teaching in Redwood class this year. She will be supported by Mrs McDougall and Miss Dash. Miss Primmitt will be teaching in Rowan class this year, she will be supported by Mrs Watson. Mrs McDougall is the Lead Teaching Assistant for years 5 and 6 and will be teaching Redwood class on Thursday afternoons. Miss Baker will be teaching Rowan class on Fridays.

PE Kits: Pupils will need a PE kit in school which should consist of green shorts, a white plain t-shirt (or one with the logo) with trainers or plimsolls. Please ensure that everything is named. During the autumn months, Year 5 will complete some PE sessions outside, as well as some sessions in the school hall. Therefore the pupils also have the option to wear tracksuit bottoms if they prefer, during colder weather. If you wish for your child to wear tracksuit bottoms when PE is outside, please ensure that they also have shorts in school for indoor PE.

Redwood: Tuesdays and Fridays.
Rowan: Mondays and Fridays.

Dates for the Diary

Meet the Teacher 3.15pm—3.45pm	8.9.17
School Photos	19.9.17
MacMillan Coffee Morning	29.9.17
Parent's Evening / Book Fair Begins	4.10.17
Celebration Afternoon	18.10.17
Last Day of Term 1	20.10.17
First Day of Term 2	30.10.17

Learning Journey–Invasion!

Learning Journey:

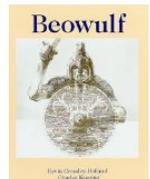
"Invasion" is our cross-curricular topic for Term 1. Within this topic, the pupils will have exciting opportunities to extend their knowledge through incorporating subjects such as DT & ART by making things such as shields and longboats. The pupils will find out about who the Anglo Saxons and the Vikings were and where they came from. 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!

English: To link with our Learning Journey topic, our text this term is the 6th Century Anglo Saxon poetic narrative, "Beowulf". This ancient epic poem recounts the grisly tale of the brave Anglo Saxon warrior, Beowulf, or "the Bear", and the two monsters he has to fight. After listening to and then reading the poem, the pupils will start by exploring the context of the narrative. They will go on to analyse the language choices which the author has made, and identify the poetic techniques which have been used. The pupils will compare "Beowulf"

to other poems on similar subjects. As part of the English unit they will create their own myths in the same tradition. Later in the term they will look at the structure of newspaper reports, which will help them to create their own report about one of the events in Beowulf.



PSHEe:

This term in PSHEe the pupils will be exploring new beginnings. There will be many opportunities for the children to get to know the rest of the pupils in their class and explore their new learning environment.

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. Year 5 will then move on to revisiting addition and subtraction using a range of mental and written methods.

RE: This term we will be focusing on God the Creator. The pupils will learn about some of the key beliefs about the creation of humans and the creation of the world. They will explore the two stories of Creation in the Book of Genesis.

Home Learning:

Home Learning has changed this year. On the first Monday of each term the pupils will receive a grid which consists of a range of

Home Learning activities they can engage in which are linked to the Learning Journey topic. Each task has a point score and the children are required to complete as many activities as possible to reach 10 points, of course they are able to complete more tasks if they wish to do so! The home learning is then due back on the final Monday of each term.

Advanced Notice:

Year 5 year group assembly on the 8.11.17.