

Year Five Newsletter – Spring Term



Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and would like to welcome to you back to another term of exciting learning in Year Five.

Last Term

The children worked so hard on their last enquiry – How can I make a difference? Here are some photos of their amazing work:



We cannot wait to launch our new enquiry which will be based all around Anglo-Saxons and Vikings!

Diary Dates for this half term

Friday 31st January – Class photos

Friday 14th February – Break up for half term.

Monday 24th February – INSET Day

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

Friday 14th March – Comic Relief

Tuesday 25th March – Parents evening

Wednesday 26th March – Parents evening

Thursday 27th March – Enquiry Showcase

Friday 4th April – Break up for Easter

Enquiry

This term's enquiry is a History theme. Throughout our enquiry sessions this term we are going to be answering the question, "**Should we always share?**" Each week we will be building up our knowledge to answer our main question.



This term we will be looking at:



Week 1 – In Enquiry, we will be uncovering the reasons for why the Roman Empire collapsed. As well as how sources of information can help us uncover the past.

Week 2 – In History, we will uncover who the Anglo-Saxons were, where they came from and why they chose to come to Britain.

Week 3 – We will be looking at Anglo-Saxon culture and how they settled in different areas of Britain.

Week 4 – This week, we will be learning about the impact the Anglo-Saxons had on the culture and religion of Britain.

Week 5 and 6 – Our DT project starts this week! We will be designing and creating a pulley system that would have helped the Anglo-Saxons in their villages.

Week 7 – This week, we will introduce the Vikings and compare how their way of life to the Anglo-Saxons.

Week 8 – This week, we will be learning all about the Vikings' first invasion of Britain and how they continued to take over more parts of Britain.

Week 9 – Next, we will discover all about Danelaw and how it enabled the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings to share Britain and live together more peacefully.

Week 10 – This week, we will be evaluating the reliability of historical sources and using them to find out how the Anglo-Saxon rule in England came to an end.

Week 11 – For our final week, we will be finding out what makes a healthy meal before preparing a healthy Viking feast for you all to enjoy at our Enquiry Showcase!

PE



Year Five have PE on **Monday and Friday**. Children should come to school in their PE kit and can stay in it all day. Please make sure your child does not wear earrings on these days. This term we are taking part in gymnastics and Outdoor Adventurous Activities.



Reading



It is essential that pupils are encouraged to read at home to develop their fluency, vocabulary and it will open many more doors to their learning. Please remember to write in their reading diaries each time you read together, as each time they read three or more times a week, they get entered into our weekly prize draw!

Please ensure your child has their name in all their belongings to prevent them being lost.



On Dojo, you have access to our home learning menus. This is a great and fun way of further supporting your child's learning at home. Don't