Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy and Nursery
Autumn 2 Newsletter

Asia Class
Year 5

Let Your Light Shine!

We hope you had a lovely break. It looks set to be another busy and exciting half-term, with lots happening in the run-up to Christmas, including our residential trip to Horstead.

Our value this half term is…

Honesty

It is likely that the weather will continue to get colder and wetter over this half term, so please ensure your child has their named **hat, gloves, coat,** and **wellies** in school.

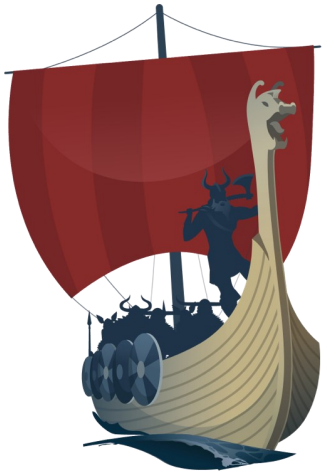
If you have any questions, please contact the office and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

PE is on **Tuesday**, so please remember to come to school in your kit.

We are lucky to continue our rotation of **Forest Schools** this half-term, which will be on held on a **Thursday**. Please ensure your child comes to school with suitable clothing and brings their wellies.

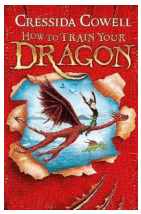
This half term's learning:

This half term's topic is Vikings!
This means our topic focus this half term will be History.



Homework will continue be a weekly comprehension exercise and spellings. Please do support and encourage your children to complete the weekly exercises.

English Learning This Half Term:



This half-term, our English learning will focus on the text, '*How to Train Your Dragon*' by Cressida Cowell. After exploring the themes and characters in the story, we will begin by writing our own adventure story openings. We will then move on to explore the features of instructional texts, applying skills such as parentheses, modal verbs, and adverbs to add precision and detail, ensuring our writing is clear, engaging, and easy for the reader or user to follow.

Maths Learning This Half Term:

In Maths, we will be developing our knowledge of multiplication, division and fractions.
The children will :

- Continue to identify multiples and factors, including finding all factor pairs of a number and common factors of two numbers
- Solve problems involving multiplication and division, using their knowledge of factors and multiples, squares and cubes.
- Multiply by 10, 100 and 1000

We will continue to practice our arithmetic skills daily, exploring a range of efficient methods and strategies.

Other curriculum areas ::

In History, we will be learning about the **Vikings,** including where they came from; how they lived; what they were known for and what they believed in as well as analysing key artefacts that have been found. We will also make comparisons and links to the Anglo – Saxons which we learnt about last half-term.

Our focus will be on 'forces' in Science, including friction, air resistance and water resistance. We will also learn about how Isaac Newton influenced people's understanding of forces.

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In Computing, we will creating media using video production.

We will be linking our DT to the Vikings by designing and making our very own Viking longships.

In RE, we will explore the big question, "How has belief in Christianity / Islam impacted on music and art through history?"

In French, we will be learning how to say the date, focussing on the days of the week, months and numbers.

In PE, we will continue to focus on Tag Rugby (please come to school wearing your PE kit. We will be outside – if it isn't raining – so a jumper and tracksuit bottoms is advised.