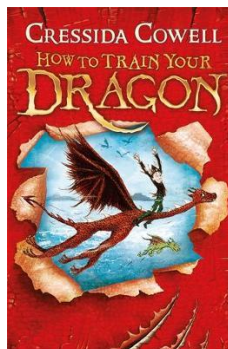


Welcome to the Spring 1 edition of the curriculum newsletter. You will find lots of information about your child's learning. Our current learning journey is going to be all about **The Vikings**. We are investigating the question, **'Were the Vikings always vicious and victorious?'**

## Vikings

Our Learning Journey this half term is based around the Vikings and whether they were always vicious and victorious. We will be learning about how they lived using the artefacts they left behind. We are going to study what Viking life was like and how the Vikings made the people of Great Britain feel. Our class novel this half term will be **'How to train your Dragon'** by **Cressida Cowell**.



## Project Homework

Our homework will continue to be project based this year. A **'Homework Menu'** will be available with information about possible projects. The aim is to encourage your child to research and access homework for their own learning style. **Your child will be expected to hand in one homework project every half term.** Please see the Homework Menu for more details.

## PE

The Year 5 PE days will be on **Thursdays** and **Fridays** each week. Pupils need to ensure that they bring the appropriate kit on each of these days including a plain red t-shirt, black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a change of suitable footwear.

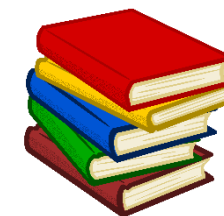
## Exciting Dates...

- On **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January**, we going to be visiting the **Jorvik centre and the Dig in York**. As part of our learning about Vikings, we will embark on a Viking journey through a series of workshops and the museum. We would like to **dress up as Vikings for the trip** to immerse ourselves in Viking life.
- Just a week later, on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February**, we will be visiting the **Tower of London**. This is a unique experience for the children, and they will be immersed in the history of the monarchy in our country.



## Stay and...

On **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January**, we will be having a **Stay and Read afternoon** where parents are welcome. You will have the chance to read with your child whether this be a book or a pieces of their learning.



# HOMework MENU

Our current learning journey is: **Vikings**. This half term we would like you to complete the following learning projects at home:

**We need your help!** The Viking weaponry is running low. We need you to make either a life size **shield, sword or axe** with Viking patterns on it.



**Warning! Wingless Dragons on the loose!**

Our dragons have lost their wings can you design and make some new wings for our dragons?



**Draw, sketch or paint** your very own Viking picture.



The choice of task is yours, choose wisely and we look forward to seeing your projects. If you need any help or advice on your project, just ask. It might be a good idea to ask your grown up to help you as well.