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Autumn Term 2015

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back, Everyone! We have a busy term ahead of us in Foxes, Rabbits and Deer. We are writing to provide you with some information about what we will be doing between now and Christmas.

Our topic for the term will be Anglo Saxons and the Vikings, and this will be linked to other curriculum areas. English will be taught as a class, but children will be split into ability groups for phonics sessions. Throughout the course of the day all lessons are differentiated to suit the needs of the children. In maths, children have been divided into 3 groups so the children will be learning alongside others of a similar ability. These groups will be taught by Mrs Davies, Miss Phillips and Mrs Walsh.

Diary Dates:

10th September - **Year 5** only - Swimming starts: *please provide swimwear, hat, goggles and a towel.*

24th September - **Year 5** - Little Canada information evening - 6.30pm

19th October - Parents open evening 3.30-6.00pm

9th November - Maths Workshop - 6.00-6.30pm

18th - 20th May - Year 4 to Ringsfield.

Headteacher: Mrs S.H. Bradford

Deputy Headteacher: Miss D.K. Stannard

PE

It is essential that your child has **all** of the following items to participate in PE. Their kit needs to be in school all week. Please bring it in on a Monday and take it home on a Friday. Your child will take part in both an indoor and outdoor session every week.

Indoor Kit	Outdoor Kit
Plimsolls T-shirt Shorts	Trainers T-shirt Shorts/Jogging bottoms Sweatshirt

Please be aware that if your child does not have plimsolls for indoor games they will not be taking part in the activity and a note will be sent home.

It is Norfolk County Council policy that children will do dance and gym with bare feet.

Homework

Reading, spellings and times tables should be practised daily.

	Homework handed out:	Homework handed in:
Monday	Maths	English
Friday	English Spellings	Maths Last week's spellings tested

Reading

At school, reading takes place in a variety of contexts. Your child will be assigned a reading group with those of a similar ability who will read aloud with an adult and discuss what they have read. Other reading activities will take place with the whole class or individually, but your help in hearing your child read at home, and discussing the text, is invaluable to help them progress.

If anyone is able to spare some time in an afternoon, or during registration to hear children read at school, this would be much appreciated. Please come in and see us.

Spellings

To begin the year, we would like the children to ensure they can spell some key words needed in their writing. They will bring a sheet home to learn, and will be tested on these on Friday 18th September.

After this, spellings will be given out on a Friday, and tested the following week. In order to learn these words, children will need to follow the Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check method, writing the words in the spaces provided.

Art resources

If you have an old shirt spare please can you donate it to your child's class as this would be useful as an apron. We would also appreciate any old material, wool or other resources that you may have for art work.

We hope this has given you some idea of what we will be doing this term.

Yours sincerely,

Amy Phillips, Cassie Davies and Katharine Walsh
(Class teachers)

Gemma Pharoah (HLTA), Diana Broadley, Hannah Smith, Dani Plowman, Claire Lister
(Teaching Assistants)

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

I have received and read the Curriculum Newsletter.

Signed: _____

Geography and History

Maps
Settlements
Invasions
Timelines
Artefacts
Anglo-Saxon life
Vikings

PHSE

Settling in to new class
Rules and routines
New beginnings

D&T

Viking ships

ICT

Presentation software
Coding
Research

Maths

Place value
Ordering
Estimating
Rounding
Scales
Mental and written calculation strategies
Money
Measures
Shape and space
Sequences
Properties of numbers
Fractions
Time
Data

Literacy

Riddles
Myths and Legends
Runes
Drama - hot-seating,
Poetry

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Saxons and Vikings
Foxes, Rabbits and Deer**

Science

Sound - vibrations,
pitch and loudness,
sound travelling
through different
materials.

RE

Journeys

PE

Games - badminton, football,
netball and rugby
Dance and gym

Art

Painting in the style
of different artists
Collage
Drawing