

# **Curriculum News**

# Falcons & Eagles.



This term our topic is about Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will learn about the way of life for these civilisations and their impact on the way of life in this country.

## **Overview**

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Literacy	Numeracy	Science
Children will learn about literary features of the Anglo-Saxon and Viking period, including Mini Sagas (stories in 50 or 100 words) and Eddic Verse (popular with Vikings and was usually simple, dealing largely with mythological or heroic characters.) Children will improve and their ability to use similes, metaphors and alliteration.	Y5 - Children will develop their understanding of place value, multiplication and division (including prime numbers) and shape.  Y6 - As above but extended to include properties of circles	Living Things and Their Habitats Children will learn how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics based on similarities and differences, including micro- organisms, plants and animals.
Christian Beliefs and Lifestyles Children will discuss and compare Christian beliefs and lifestyles and explore symbols of Christianity	History This term we will study the life and times of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. The children will learn about invasion, settlement, art and crafts, religious beliefs and cultures as well as how our lives today have been influenced by events from this time period.	Art The children will investigate drawing and painting horizons and landscapes  Music Children will learn to use untuned percussion instruments to sing and chant to a beat and in rounds
PE PE is on a Tuesday this term for both classes. Please ensure children have a named PE kit in school EVERYDAY. This must include shorts, T shirt, jumper, jogging bottoms and trainers. Earrings must be removed or covered. The focus will be Handball.	This unit is the beginning of a sequence of units in which the pupils will learn about the capabilities of smartphones, think of a problem that a smartphone or tablet app could solve and then pitch the idea for their app.	PSHEE The focus will be on 'New Beginnings'; this will include considering change and rights and responsibilities as we start a new school year.

### Homework.

In Eagles, homework will be given out on a Thursday and needs to be returned by the following Tuesday. In Falcons, homework is given out on Friday to be returned the following Wednesday. Usually, the children will be given spellings, Literacy and Numeracy. Each piece should take no more than 20 minutes to complete. In addition to this, the children need to practise learning their multiplication tables and continue to read their home reading book daily.

### A note from the teachers...

This year, Mr Tugwell has joined our team in Eagles and Falcons. Some children will be working with him for literacy, numeracy or both. If you have any questions about this or any other aspect of your child's learning, please don't hesitate to speak to us.

Thank you for all your support. Mr Cuthbertson, Miss Handson & Mr Tugwell