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Dear Parents and Carers,

Autumn Term 2021

I hope you've all had a lovely Summer. I have really enjoyed having the children in the classroom so that we can start the year well and can begin to help them get back to their normality. This long term, our topic is "Vikings" which is really exciting as there is a lot to learn about. The topic will focus strongly on how the Vikings first came to Britain and what this meant for both themselves and the Anglo Saxons as they competed for land. The topic will be embedded further within our curriculum through our class novel "Viking Boy" which our English lessons will be based on. We are very lucky to have Mrs Prior, our class TA, with us every day to help us in all aspects of our daily school life!

PE

Please ensure that children have their full P.E kit, including outdoor shoes, in school on Monday for the whole week. They can then go home to be washed on Friday. If your child has pierced ears, they must be able to take out earrings on their own as teachers are unable to assist them. Long hair will need to be tied back. Please refer to the uniform policy for details.

Term 1 & 2 RSHE Content for Year Five

As we communicated in our Relationships, Health and Sex Education consultation, we will be keeping you regularly informed about content to be taught in the term ahead.

This term, your child will have the following Jigsaw topics:

Term 1	Being Me in My World- planning the forthcoming year, being a citizen, rights and responsibilities, rewards and consequences, how behaviour affects groups, democracy, having a voice, participating
Term 2	Celebrating Difference- cultural differences and how they can cause conflict, racism, rumours and name-calling, types of bullying, material wealth and happiness, enjoying and respecting other cultures

The vocabulary used will be:

Term 1	Education Appreciation Opportunities Goals Motivation Vision Hopes Challenge Rights Responsibilities Citizen Denied Empathise Refugee Persecution Conflict Asylum
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	Migrant Wealth Poverty Prejudice Privilege Deprive Rewards Consequences Choices Learning Charter Cooperation Collaboration Participation Motivation
Term 2	Culture Conflict Difference Similarity Belong Culture-wheel Racism Colour Race Discrimination Culture Ribbon Bullying Rumour Name-calling Racist Homophobic Cyber bullying Texting Problem-solving Indirect Direct Cyber bullying Happiness Difference Culture Similarity Continuum Developing world Racism Discrimination Celebration Artefacts Display Presentation

Please see the RHSE curriculum page of our school website for further information.

Home Learning

It is extremely important that the children are reading every day outside of school for at least 15 minutes as this benefits them in many areas of the curriculum and makes such a clear difference. Whilst we listen to children read in our guided reading sessions, we cannot hear them every day and it is important that the children understand how vital reading is for them. The children are still able to bring their book to and from school and they will also be given a new bookmark where they will get a sticker if they write at-least 4 reading entries in their reading record a week.

In Year 5, we cover all tables up to and including 12x. Times tables are used in all areas of Maths and so it is also important for children to be confident with these. Please ensure that they are practising them regularly; they continue to have access to "Times tables Rockstars" to help with their fluency.

Communication.

Please send any communication to the school office and this will be passed on to the class teacher.

Food and Drink

Children will need a healthy snack to eat at break-times which for Year 5 is now at 10:30.

Birthday celebrations

As part of our healthy school approach, we no longer are able to hand out sweets, cakes or gifts to the class from the birthday girl or boy.

Collection at Home Time

Please ensure that one designated adult is on the playground by 3.05pm to allow us to hand your child across the playground. Please leave as promptly as possible when you have collected all of your children. Many thanks for your help with this.

This information will be reviewed and amended whenever needed and we will inform you as soon as possible. If you have any other questions about Year 5, please do not hesitate to contact us. We hope your child enjoys their learning journey this year!

Best wishes

Mr Weekes and Mrs Prior