

Autumn (1) 2019

## ‘From the Land of the Frost Giants’

This half term our topic is called “From the Land of the Frost Giants”. The children will be able to construct their own opinions about whether the Vikings were warriors, raiders, settlers or even a mixture of each! To bring history to life and inspire their creativity we will start with a Viking Day exploring Viking remains and acting as warriors! We will then continue with a range of practical and informative lessons exploring Viking invasion and settlement in Britain. Throughout the half term, across the curriculum, we will be exploring the IGNITE learning value of Independence.

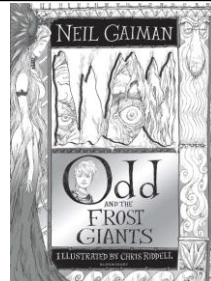
### English

In English this half term we will be focusing on a range of writing linked to our curriculum topic which will enable the children to apply their knowledge and research within a range of genres. We will begin by exploring creative writing through character, setting and atmosphere. Our writing will be driven through our class text-Odd and the Frost Giants.

We will also look at non-fiction writing as well as writing in a range of genres.

### PSHE

We will be exploring the theme ‘Risks and Pressures’. The children will learn to face new challenges positively by collecting information, looking for help, making responsible choices and taking action.



### Maths

The children will begin this term rehearsing and developing their mathematical skills linked to the four operations and place value. This will help them to secure their understanding of the methods for the four operations and then applying them to a range of problem solving situations.

### Creative Curriculum

**Science-** This unit explores ‘Properties and changes of materials’. The children will group and compare a variety of materials based on their properties. They will also use their knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to separate mixtures and discover which are reversible and those which are irreversible.

**Music** – In music the children will learn about the concept of Leitmotiv and will be able to compose their own music theme for their chosen Norse God.

### Physical Education (PE)

Our indoor PE this half term is Dance and outdoor PE is Netball.

### **Please remember kit!**

**Indoor PE – Monday**  
**Outdoor PE – Wednesday**

### Creative Curriculum

**R.E-** The children will study the theme of Worship through Christian and Muslim cultures.

**Art-** The children will use a range of resources to create images linked to Vikings and our text driver: Odd and the Frost Giants.

**ICT** – The children will be developing their computer coding skills and looking at networks. There will always be a focus on E-safety threaded through each unit of ICT work.

### Ideas for home

The children will be set weekly homework on Mathematics and Spelling shed. This will be set every Thursday and due the following Tuesday. It will also consist of regularly reading of their library book.

A huge focus during this first half term will be times tables practice! The children **MUST** confidently know their tables. up to and including 12x12!

### Reminders and Events

Library time will be on Mondays..

5<sup>th</sup> September – Back to school

9<sup>th</sup> September – Viking Day

19<sup>th</sup> September – Meet the teacher (3:45pm)

30<sup>th</sup> September – Kingswood Meeting

14<sup>th</sup> October – Home learning due

17<sup>th</sup> October – Vocal workshop at Thornden School

18<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Outcome (9:15am)

25<sup>th</sup> October – Inset Day

28<sup>th</sup> October - Half term

4<sup>th</sup> November – Return to school for Autumn 2

**And Finally.....** Please encourage your children to plan and carry out the Home Learning task they choose with care and we look forward to their wonderful creations!