

St. Teresa's Class

Year 5- Autumn Term 2



Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s),

I hope you have all had a wonderful half term and are looking forward to the busy term that awaits us. We will be starting our new history topic 'Invaders and Settlers' based on the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings.

Some of the interesting genres and tasks will consist of: writing myths and legends stories, creating instructions for recipes, cooking food linked to the Viking era, delving deeper into the great female warrior queen of Gloucester, music, computing and much more. Children are more than welcome to bring in any books from home based around the topic; please can I ask you clearly name anything sent into school.

During science, we will be looking at forces in greater detail. This will include water and air resistance and mechanisms such as levers, pulleys and gears. We still have an investigation that requires the sun to shine, so keep your fingers crossed for us over the first couple of weeks.

As always, I am available on the playground at the end of the school day, so please do not hesitate to speak or contact me throughout the school year.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Hathaway

Reminders

Homework will be set through TEAMs on a Friday, this will include:

- Spellings- these will be shared as before through TEAMS, and to be practised alongside their homework. Please make sure green spellings books are in school on a Thursday.
- A main focus on maths, English, comprehension, RE or topic.

Homework is due on a Wednesday. Thank you to those of you who have continued to wow me.

• Home reading- by reading 5 times a week your child will receive a stamp towards their reading awards. Let's be the winning class for the most stamps received! Please ensure reading record is brought in daily to be checked (especially Fridays).

Water bottles

• Children should be bringing a water bottle in to school every day. Please make sure your child's name is written clearly on their water bottle.

PE and Gardening

- PE will take place on a Friday before break, please ensure children wear their uniform to school. This includes trainers, a house colour top and navy/black shorts. No stripes or logos.
- Gardening will also take place on a Friday; please ensure waterproof clothing(trousers and coats) and a pair of wellies are in school for this- they will go out when it's wet!