

# KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2023



### YEAR 5

September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to offer you a warm welcome to the start of another fabulous year. The children have settled in well and are very busy with their daily timetable, making new friends and learning lots of new things.

#### **Our Topic**

*Term 1: Anglo-Saxons*

*The start of Year 5 will have the children learning about the Anglo-Saxons. They will be investigating where they came from, where they lived and the type of lifestyle they had. It is a fascinating topic. The ambitious learning will be supported by an Anglo-Saxon day where children will get to experience many aspects of Saxon life. This was a highlight during last year's learning.*

#### **Maths and English**

In Maths lessons, children will be learning about rounding and ordering numbers up to six digits, contextual problems and 3D shapes.

In order to support your child, you could help them to revise their times tables and question them on their current daily learning, to help reinforce what they have learnt.

It would really support your child if they were confident with their times tables, as this term your child will need to be efficient at all tables up to and including the 12's as well as knowing related division facts. This would also help them in all other areas of Maths.

In English, we will be learning to write even more persuasively, construct engaging reports, develop poetry skills, and describe scenes.

In order to support your child, you could encourage them to read more to help enhance their vocabulary.

The spellings your child will be learning this term can be accessed through our school website; it would be if you could help your child to learn these spellings.

Please encourage your child to read at home every day and ask them questions about what they are reading at every opportunity.

#### **PE**

Our PE days are Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit.

For outdoor games, the children need plain black/navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain white t-shirt and trainers. During winter months a sweatshirt may be helpful in the colder weather.

For indoor PE, the children need plain black/navy shorts, and a plain white t-shirt.

Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term as there may be sports trips for your child to experience that are not on the normal PE days.

#### **Homework**

Homework is set on a Wednesday and will continue to support your child's education. It will include weekly Maths and English activities as well as reading and some spelling investigations.

If there are ever any problems regarding the homework, please come and see a teacher as soon as possible.

Your child should bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure the bottle is clearly named and only contains water.

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#### HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

*Key things that parents can do to support their child this term related to things they will be learning about:*

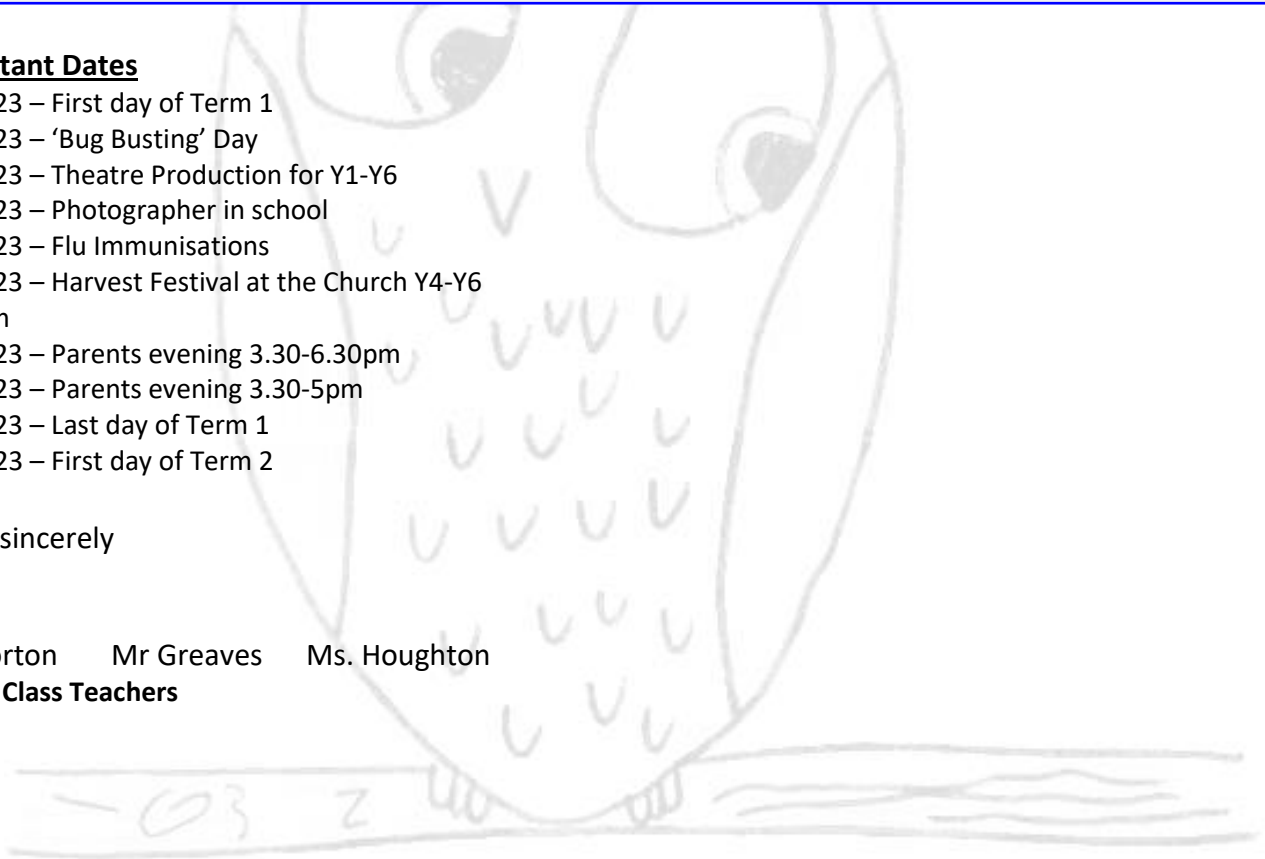
- Why not follow the recipe below to make some local, historic food that dates back to Anglo-Saxon times?
- Using the images below, create some posters that could be used for a display at school. You could write words such as: Saxon, village, fire, Viking, home, King – all using the Futhark alphabet shown below.
- Using the template attached, create your own name badge – choosing a Viking name for yourself and writing it on Thor's Hammer or a Viking Comb. You could make two of these – one in English and one using the runes alphabet.

#### Important Dates

04.09.23 – First day of Term 1  
08.09.23 – 'Bug Busting' Day  
13.09.23 – Theatre Production for Y1-Y6  
18.09.23 – Photographer in school  
26.09.23 – Flu Immunisations  
06.10.23 – Harvest Festival at the Church Y4-Y6  
2.15pm  
17.10.23 – Parents evening 3.30-6.30pm  
18.10.23 – Parents evening 3.30-5pm  
20.10.23 – Last day of Term 1  
06.11.23 – First day of Term 2

Yours sincerely

Mr Norton    Mr Greaves    Ms. Houghton  
Year 5 Class Teachers



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Make a local, historic food with your adults at home...

#### Try Lincolnshire Plum Bread

You will need...

- a large loaf tin, lined with parchment if you wish
  - 450g strong white bread flour
  - 1 tsp salt
  - 1 tsp allspice
  - 1 tsp ground cinnamon
  - 50g dark brown sugar
  - 7g sachet of easy-blend dry yeast
  - 100g sultanas
  - 100g raisins
  - 50g dried mixed peel {optional}
  - 300ml strong black tea {only 50ml will end up in the dough}
  - 75ml milk
  - 75g butter, melted
  - 2 free-range eggs, beaten.
1. Begin by soaking the sultanas, raisins and mixed dried peel (if using) in the strong tea. Set aside for half an hour while you gather and prepare the rest of the ingredients.
  2. Sift the flour into a large bowl, add the yeast, allspice, cinnamon, sugar and salt then use a whisk or your hands to combine them.
  3. Drain the fruit, reserving 50ml of the tea. Add the plumped-up fruit to the dry ingredients and give it another quick mix.
  4. Combine the 50ml of reserved tea with the milk, melted butter and beaten eggs and add most of it to the dry ingredients. Don't quite add it all straight away as it may not all be needed.

5. Use your hands to mix everything together, add the rest of the tea/milk/butter/egg mixture if it's too dry. It should come away from the sides of the bowl. Add a spot more of the cold milk if it still needs it.
6. Place the dough on a clean work surface then knead the dough for 5 to 10 minutes until smooth and elastic. Put a dot of oil into a clean bowl and roll the dough in it to coat. Cover with cling film or a damp towel then leave in a warm place for around an hour or two for it to prove and double in size.
7. Once the dough has risen nicely, give it another quick knead to knock the air back out of it. Flatten it out a bit then tuck the sides under to form a loaf shape. Drop into the loaf tin and loosely cover with oiled cling film. Return the loaf to a warm place for an hour or so for the dough to double in size again.
8. Preheat the oven 190 C / gas 5 / 375 F
9. Once the loaf has risen simply pop it into the preheated oven and bake for around 25 to 35 minutes. To check if it is baked, tip the loaf out of the tin and tap the base, it should sound hollow. Turn the oven down a little if it is starting to brown too quickly.
10. Cool the loaf on a wire rack before slicing.







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Runes - The Elder Futhark



**F** Fehu  
cattle,  
wealth



**U** Uruz  
aurochs,  
strength



**Th** Thurisaz  
giant,  
thor



**A** Ansuz  
god,  
odin



**R** Raido  
journey,  
wheel



**K** Kaunan  
ulcer,  
fire



**G** Gebō  
gift



**W** Wunjō  
joy



**H** Hagalaz  
hail,  
air



**N** Naudiz  
need,  
necessity



**I** Isaz  
ice



**J** Jēra  
year,  
harvest



**E** Eiwaz  
yew tree,  
tree of life



**P** Perth  
unclear meaning



**Z** Algiz  
elk  
protection



**S** Sōwilō  
sun



**T** Tiwaz  
the god Tiwaz,  
victory



**B** Berkanan  
birch,  
birth



**E** Ehwaz  
horse



**M** Mannaz  
man



**L** Laguz  
water,  
lake



**Ng** Ingwaz  
the god Ingwaz,  
fertility



**O** Othila  
heritage,  
property



**D** Dagaz  
day,  
dawn



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#### BOYS' NAMES

Cut out and colour in the Thor's Hammer and put your Viking Name on it.  
Make a small hole in the top and thread a piece of string through the top to make a necklace.  
Wear it as part of your costume on Viking Day

Thord Berserks Killer	Snorri Wartooth
Eirik Snake in the Eye	Ulf Lousebeard
Finnboggi the Flayer	Grundi Bloodaxe
Gust Skull Splitter	Krabbi Smooth Tongue
Grim Fork Beard	Ivar Paunch Shaker
Barri Arrow Odd	Skuli One Hand
Hogni Flat Nose	Knut Skinflint
Harald Hard Head	Sweyne the Powerful
Tind Battle Wolf	Toki One Eye
Tryfing Hairy Breeks	Vignir Iron Skull
Svip Hot Head	Gothrom the Great
Helgi Kin Fighter	Rolf the Quarreller
Kol the Hunter	Svidi Horse Stealer
Olaf Blue Tooth	Svart Long Legs
Atli Fast Sailor	Frodi the Pale
Franmar Meadseeker	Hamal Hard Mouth



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#### GIRLS' NAMES

Choose a Viking Name from the list below.

Make a Viking Comb from cardboard, decorate it and write your Viking name on it.

Wear it hanging from your belt or brooches.

Gudrid	Sigrlinn	Aslaug
Aesa	Bodvild	Grimhild
Halldis	Sigrid	Aud
Freydis	Swanhild	Ellisif
Edny	Asa	Helga
Kara	Oddrun	Thora
Unn	Hildigunn	Isgerd
Edda	Silksif	Gudrun
Arnora	Bestla	Skjalf
Herbjorg	Groa	Ragnhild
Hekja	Sylgja	Lyingheid
Solvieg	Hallfrid	Yrsa
Tofa	Dagmaer	Sinthrjod

