



# Curriculum Newsletter

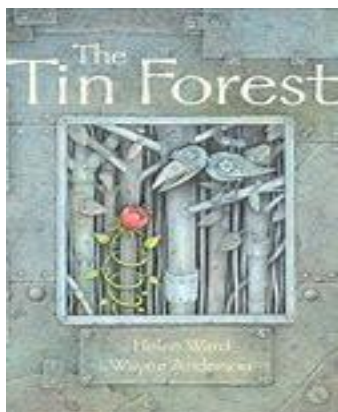
## Year 3 Term 4 2019/20

Hello! What an amazing term it has been! It has flown by and we can't quite believe we are heading into Term 4. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning all about The Vikings, their settlements and the Physical and Human Geography that surrounds us last term.

Now we cannot wait to start our new term and have planned lots of fun and exciting activities for the children to engage them in their learning. This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what your child will be covering for the next six weeks up until Easter. If you have any questions please speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team or see your child's teacher at the end of the school day.

### English

In English this term, we will be focusing our writing on *The Tin Forest* by Helen Ward. We will use this text to work on our descriptive writing alongside varying tenses and writing styles.



We kindly ask that you read with your children at least 5 times a week. We ensure an adult reads with your child as often as possible in school but it is crucial that your child practises at home as well to develop their fluency, intonation and comprehension.

### Maths

In maths this term, we will be looking at the formal written methods for addition and division. We will be looking at different ways to partition. We will also be looking at equivalent fractions.

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If you would like any information on how we teach these methods in class or guidance on how to support at home, please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Hawkins

## Foundation Subjects

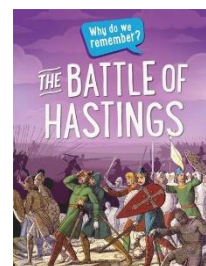
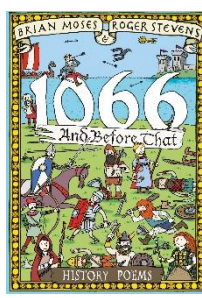
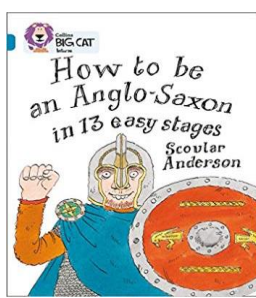
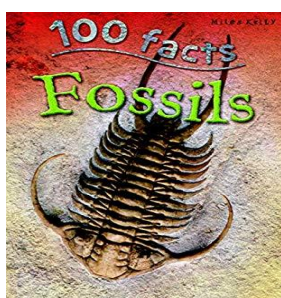
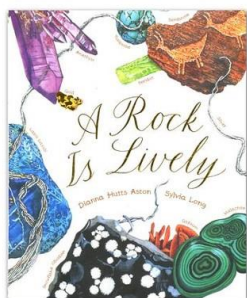
Our topic this term is "1066"

It's an exciting topic where we will be learning all about The Battle of Hastings. As Historians, we will be exploring the event, significant figures involved and focussing on the Anglo-Saxons. We will also be using our school driver of 'The Arts' by designing and making different textile products, including learning sewing skills. We will be exploring where the event took place and comparing distances travelled and where it was from our local community. In Science, we are aiming to explore rocks and soils, linking this to how land is used (past and present) and how fossils are formed. This term also encompasses Science Week. This will be an opportunity for your child to develop their 'working scientifically' skills and to engage in different scientific experiments and workshops.

Please refer to your child's '1066' knowledge organiser to better understand what your child is learning about in school.

## Term 3 '1066' Reading Spine

These are a selection of books Year 4 children will be exploring during this topic. They have been carefully selected as high quality texts to support your child's learning of the curriculum. We invite children to read these books during their free-reading time in school but you may also want to grab a copy for your own bookshelves at home!



Your child will need their PE kit on a **Tuesday and Friday**. At times throughout the year, we may take part in P.E on different days. We therefore recommend that children keep their kit in all week and send it home on Friday to be washed (if needed).

We are also doing Forest School every Wednesday this term. Please ensure your child has the correct equipment and if you are willing and able to lend a hand please sign up on the form in reception.



We will send spellings home on a **Wednesday** for you to practise at home. These spellings will be tested in class on the following **Monday**.



We ask that you practise your spellings and times tables at home for homework. We also ask that you read at least 5 times a week to develop your comprehension and fluency. Also, we would like to remind you that your child is able to log on with their purple mash logins to complete any extra homework and practise their learning at home.



Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day. Also please make sure that their belongings including school uniform, PE kit, book bags, lunch boxes and water bottles are all clearly labelled with your child's name and class. We ask children not to bring toys or items from home into school unless invited to do so by their class teacher.

### Year 4 Term 4 Key dates:

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb INSET

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 and 4 Trip to MShed

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 and 4 science workshop

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 Cake Sale

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 and 4 class assembly