

# VIKINGS CLASS SUMMER 1 NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to a short but jam-packed half term. I hope you all had a lovely Easter break enjoying the sunshine!

Our topic is 1066 and we had a great start with our Moving Words creative workshop on Tuesday. The children learned so much through the poem, song, drama and dance we did. This will act as a great base on which to build future learning over this topic. This has begun this week with the children learning about the claimants to the British throne after the death of Edward the Confessor. They presented their claim to the Witan before we found out the actual result! Throughout this topic, the children will also learn about the Bayeux Tapestry, the Domesday Book and Norman castles. We will write a battle diary and will explore kennings in our English work.

Our Christian value for this half term is 'Love and Compassion' which will be studied in collective worship and Reflection Time.

## **Reminders:**

**WEDNESDAY:** This is now the day that the children will work with Miss Dawson in the morning. This is a busy day for the children to remember things. Each Wednesday they need their PE kit, library book and homework book. Their learn its will also be tested on this day.

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school. This is part of their school uniform and is of equal importance. They must have black shorts, a white round-necked T-shirt and black pumps for indoor PE. Outdoor kit is a plain track-suit, white T-shirt and trainers. In warm weather, the children may wear their shorts outside if they wish.

Please encourage your child to be completing a piece of homework each week.

Please ensure your child has their reading book in school each day. This may either be a book from school or one they're reading from home but should be a suitable level for your child to read and understand independently.

## **Ingleborough**

Our residential is fast approaching and excitement is growing!!! I now have the full timetable of events (which are as previously discussed) and am beginning to group the children. Once I have our room allocation, I will be able to let the children know who they are sharing with.

Please continue to pay, in whatever instalments you wish, via parent pay.

## **I'm here!**

As always, if there is anything you wish to discuss, please feel free to catch me in the playground, email the school office or call to make an appointment.

Thank you.

## **Final push!**

As we rapidly approach the end of the year, my aim is to ensure that your child has reached their full potential so they're ready to move to Year 5. In order to do this, the children are working in targeted groups and many are accessing small group or individual interventions with Miss Smales or Mrs Johns. Within class, I am working with the children on their next steps in learning and really consolidating the skills they already have. Their attendance is therefore, as always, vital. The pace of learning is fast and even a couple of hours out of school can be really difficult for children to make up. Please endeavour to have your child at school, on time, each day barring illness.

