



Blickling class newsletter

Autumn 2023

Welcome back! I hope you have had a restful summer holiday. The children have made a great start to year 5 over the last couple of days! Below is some information and reminders to help as we settle back into routines.

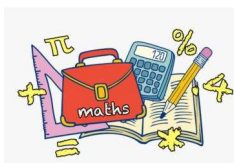
Our topic:

Our first topic is all about the Anglo-Saxon and Viking Invaders and Settlers. We will find out where they came from, where they settled and the changes they brought to Britain. We will be visiting West Stow, an Anglo-Saxon village on September 28th (more details will follow) and will share our learning at a museum at the end of the half term.

Maths

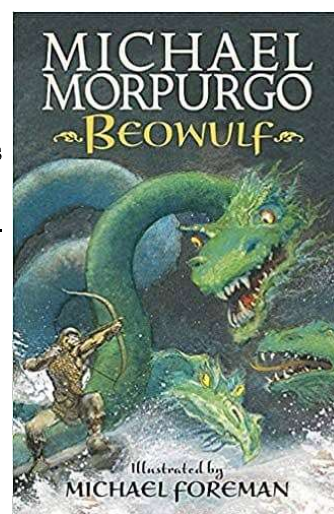
We will begin by focussing on our understanding of place value. We will complete a weekly arithmetic test to help develop the children's use of efficient methods for calculations. Children can access the sumdog website to practise their fluency as well as the topmarks website (I will add the links to Google classroom.)

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10>



English

We will focus on Michael Morpugo's version of the epic poem, Beowulf. It tells the story of his battles against the monster, Grendel. We will continue to develop our grammar and spelling skills. Reading regularly is important. I would like children to aim to read five times a week and this will be rewarded.



Monday Swimming/PE Friday

We will begin our swimming sessions on Monday 11th September. Please ensure children have their kit including a towel and goggles if they like to use them. PE will be on Fridays. Please remember children need to bring their kit with them (white t-shirt, dark coloured shorts and/or tracksuit bottoms, appropriate footwear for outside).

Homework

There will be weekly spelling and maths homework which they will have a week to complete. We will also set topic homework; children can choose the tasks they would like to complete from a topic grid which we will hand out next week. We will share this work at the end of the half term.

Communication

Please keep an eye on your emails and texts for information and please email me, catch me at the beginning or end of the day or contact the office if you have any questions or concerns. I have also made a new class on Class Dojo to share the dojo points children are earning. The newsletter will contain important dates and information about our learning including special mentions.

Please feel free to email me with any questions or concerns
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