

# **NEWSLETTER!**

## **English**

Our key text this term is Beowolf. Over the half term we are going to be writing a range of text types such as a character description, diary and a persuasive letter. We will be completing reading comprehension questions based on the book. We are going to continue to focus on presentation and joined cursive handwriting to ensure our work is always the best it can be. In year 3, the children may be awarded a handwriting pen once their handwriting is constantly joined up correctly.

#### Science

Our topic in science is Plants. We are going to observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We are going to explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of a flowering plant including pollination, water transportation, seed formation and dispersal.

## Other information:

- This half term we will have a PE lesson on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on Tuesday every week. This includes a pair of outdoor shoes for outdoor activities/warmups.
- Children are tested on their times tables every week. Please make sure your child is learning these throughout the week, ready for the test on the Friday.
- Children should be able to recall their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 time tables.
- Spellings are tested weekly on a Friday morning. Please ensure your child is practising these at home. They can access spelling shed at home too.

#### Maths

In maths, we are going to be finishing off multiplication and division, then moving on to measurement. We will be learning to measure in metres, centimetres and millimetres. We will be looking at equivalent lengths and comparing lengths. We will also learn to add and subtract different lengths.

## Topic

This half term we will be learning all about Anglo Saxons. We will consolidate our knowledge of dividing the timeline into AD and BC by looking back to our previous learning of the Romans in Britain. We will look at what happened after the Roman withdrawal from Britain and the invasions that took place from the Angles, Saxons, Jutes, Picts and Scots. We will look at and examine pictures of primary and secondary sources to learn about the Anglo Saxons' lives, art, culture and religion. We will then look at what we have learnt and examine the impact through cause and effect answering the overarching enquiry question. Who were the Anglo Saxons?

## Dates for your diary:

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February Return to school
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February Class photos.
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February Trip to Murton Park for an Anglo Saxon day.
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day
- Monday II<sup>th</sup> Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March Assessment week
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March Dean Field's Got Talent
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March School closes for Easter break.