



## A message from Mrs Ridgway and Mrs Steadman...

A very warm welcome back to school and a Happy New year to you all! We hope you enjoyed the festive season and were able to spend some quality time together.

We worked very hard last term and we made a lot of progress in our maths, reading and writing so we are looking forward to what we achieve together next. We will be continuing our whole school curriculum theme of 'Britain' in our Humanities, looking at key people and events from the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. In our Art we are looking at the sculptures of Antony Gormley, and looking to the skies for our science topic of 'Earth and Space'

This term we are lucky to have Miss Cathorne in our class to support us again.

Please do not hesitate to come in and speak to us throughout the year with any queries or concerns regarding your child, our door is always open!

### RE

Local Church: Mission  
Eucharist: Memorial Sacrifice  
Lent/Easter - Giving: Sacrifice



### Creative Curriculum

**History and Geography:** Vikings and Anglo-Saxons  
We will be looking at the lifestyles from these two time periods, and looking for similarities and differences, whilst making geographical links to where these era's were predominant within Britain.

**Art: Antony Gormley**

We will look at the sculpture of Antony Gormley, from the Angel in the north to the 'Field for the British Isles' - finally finishing with our own -self-portrait sculptures'.

**Science: Space and Forces**

### English

Regular spelling sessions with strategies aimed to help to remember spellings long term  
Guided reading sessions aimed to develop inference and evidence finding skills.  
Book band reading with an adult  
Reading for pleasure and class story.  
Daily 'Sentence Stacking' lessons for writing and grammar and punctuation tasks.



### Maths

We will be on our multiplication and division Journey this term.  
Regular fluency fact work to develop speed and fluency in the key facts we need to remember.  
Weekly timetables practise and TTRS!  
There will be opportunities for cross curricular maths, outdoor learning and active maths.



## Homework and how to help your child at home...

This year we are changing our homework expectations to focus on the core skills of reading, spelling and maths fluency facts as well as project work to support the wider curriculum. There will also be an additional curriculum project sent out each term. This term you have the choice of DT, Music and Geography. Although this is optional, it gives pupils the opportunity to work on something in more detail which interests them and share them with the class.

The first project is due back on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

On a weekly basis we would expect children to be doing the following things at home with your support:

**Times table practise (Written, Orally or on TTRS)**

**5 x Reading with an adult or independently**

Short, regular sessions of continued practise are proven to improve fluency and recall in areas like spelling and Times Tables.

## Dates for your diary and other information...

You are invited to watch our Easter play on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm.

We are currently planning a trip for Spring 2, once we have finalised the details these will be sent out.

PE will be every Tuesday and Friday afternoon. Children will be able to wear their PE kits into school instead of uniform on those days. Please see the guidance for appropriate PE kit. We please ask that children do not wear earrings on PE days. If your child cannot do P.E, we ask that a phonecall or note is brought in. Thank you!

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