

KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2020



YEAR 5

September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to offer a warm welcome to the start of another exciting year. The children have settled in well and are very busy with their daily timetable.

Our Topic

*Term 1: Raiders and Invaders
Learning all about the Vikings; where they were from,
their ways of life and battle techniques.*

Maths and English

In maths lessons, children will be learning about: rounding and ordering numbers up to six digits, contextual problems and 3D shapes. In order to support your child, you could help them revise their tables and question them on their current daily learning to help reinforce what they have learnt. It would really support your child if they were confident with their times tables. This would help them in all areas of maths. This term your child needs to be confident and efficient at all tables up to and including the 12s as well as knowing related division facts.

In English, we will be learning to: write persuasively, construct reports, develop poetry skills and describe scenes. In order to support your child, you could encourage them to read more to enhance their vocabulary.

The spellings that your child will be learning this term can be accessed through our school website; it would be really useful if you could help your child to learn these spellings.

Please encourage your child to read at home every day and ask them questions about what they are

reading at every opportunity. We aim to change books regularly.

Your child may bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure the bottle is clearly named and only contains water.

PE

Our PE days are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit. For outdoor games, the children need plain black/navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain white t-shirt, a plain sweatshirt and trainers. During winter months a sweat shirt may be helpful in the colder weather. For indoor PE, the children need plain black/navy shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term.

Homework

Homework is set on a Friday and will continue to support your child's education. It will include weekly maths and English activities as well as reading, some spelling investigations and multiplication facts. If there are ever any problems about the homework, please come and see us as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Mr Greaves, Miss Sturt and Miss Cairns
Year Five Teachers



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HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

Key things that parents can do to support their child this term related to things they will be learning about:

- Actively encourage reading.
- Question children about their books.
- If possible, let them log on to 'Hit the Button' to help with tables and division knowledge.
- Use the Viking worksheets and help children create Viking clothes, weapons or armour

Boys' Names

Cut out and colour in the Thor's Hammer and put your Viking Name on it.

Make a small hole in the top and thread a piece of string through the top to make a necklace.

Thord Berserks Killer	Snorri Wartooth
Eirik Snake in the Eye	Ulf Lousebeard
Finnboggi the Flayer	Grundi Bloodaxe
Gust Skull Splitter	Krabbi Smooth Tongue
Grim Fork Beard	Ivar Paunch Shaker
Barri Arrow Odd	Skuli One Hand
Hogni Flat Nose	Knut Skinflint
Harald Hard Head	Sweyne the Powerful
Tind Battle Wolf	Toki One Eye
Tryfing Hairy Breeks	Vignir Iron Skull
Svip Hot Head	Gothrom the Great
Helgi Kin Fighter	Rolf the Quarreller
Kol the Hunter	Svidi Horse Stealer
Olaf Blue Tooth	Svart Long Legs
Atli Fast Sailor	Frodi the Pale
Franmar Meadseeker	Hamal Hard Mouth

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Girls' Names

Choose a Viking Name from the list below.

Make a Viking Comb from cardboard, decorate it and write your Viking name on it. Wear it hanging from your belt or brooches.

Gudrid	Sigrlinn	Aslaug
Aesa	Bodvild	Grimhild
Halldis	Sigrid	Aud
Freydis	Swanhild	Ellisif
Edny	Asa	Helga
Kara	Oddrun	Thora
Unn	Hildigunn	Isgerd
Edda	Silksif	Gudrun
Arnora	Bestla	Skjalf
Herbjorg	Groa	Ragnhild
Hekja	Sylgja	Lyngheid
Solvieg	Hallfrid	Yrsa
Tofa	Dagmaer	Sinthrjod





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Viking Warriors

Dressing as Viking warriors is easy! Use a brightly coloured adult "T" Shirt as an over-shirt and a normal size T shirt underneath for an undershirt. Your trousers can be baggy or straight-legged. Wear a cloak and a furry hat if you want.

Leg bindings are optional. These are very long lengths of material that are bound around your legs from your ankles to your knees. If you do wear leg bindings, make sure they are secure.

To make realistic chain mail, use old onion bags. Spray them silver. It looks good and weighs much less than the real thing. You can get old onion bags from supermarkets and greengrocers shops. Wear a belt around your waist over the top of your chain mail or over your shirt.





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Viking Helmet

- To make a Viking Helmet, you will need to measure your head very carefully.
- Measure all the way around your head.
- Remember to write this measurement down.
- Then measure from the middle of your forehead over the top your head and from ear to ear.
- Using thin cardboard make a frame or cradle this size.
- Line your helmet with foil or thin card.
- The "spectacle" is optional, so is the point on the top.
- Paint your helmet black or grey.





Viking Swords

In the picture you can see the handles or “hand grips” of four Viking Swords. They put decoration on everything.



Viking Shield

- You will need a LARGE Circle of thick, strong cardboard.
- A long strip of strong cardboard. A round yoghurt pot.
- Some long split pins and some paint.
- Sticky tape to cover the split pins.
- Paint the yoghurt pot silver or grey.
- Cut a hole, slightly smaller than your yoghurt pot in the back of your shield.
- Paint your shield in colourful stripes or swirls.
- Push the yoghurt pot through the back of the shield to act as a shield boss to protect your hand. Paint silver or grey
- Attach the long strip of cardboard across the middle of your shield, over the hole with the yoghurt pot in it, with the split pins.
- Cover the ends of the split pins with tape or plaster.





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Viking Girls

You will need a long underdress and calf-length pinafore dress.

Your TORTOISE BROOCHES are attached to the front of the pinafore dress.

Wear beads between your tortoise brooches. Your Viking comb and girdle hangers can be worn hanging from your brooches on long lengths of cord. Don't forget to put your Viking name on the comb. Viking women always wore headscarves. They would wear a cloak if it was very cold



Make your TORTOISE BROOCHES from oval pieces cardboard. Decorate with pasta and paint gold or silver. Stick a safety pin on the back, so you can pin your brooches to your pinafore.





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Shown below are girde hangers, nobody knows whether they were just for decoration or had some practical use.

