



<u>Term 1</u>

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are extremely pleased to be able to welcome you and your children back after such a long break. We hope you have been able to enjoy some of the beautiful weather over the last few months.

<u>Topic</u>

Our topic this term is 'Anglo Saxons and Vikings'. We have already begun to find out who the Vikings were and when they invaded Britain, with some fantastic questions from the class! We will be continuing to learn about key aspects of Viking and Anglo Saxon life, their Kings and legal system and how the last Anglo Saxon kings shaped Britain. For more information about what we are learning this year, please do check out our class page on the school website.

<u>Wellbeing</u>

We will be beginning each day with a wellbeing session, as well as having additional activities to support and encourage this throughout the day. We will be using the film 'Inside Out' to help explore the roles of different emotions, their importance and how to handle them. We will also be thinking about empathy and how to see things through another person's eyes.

Uniform and lost property

It is vital, this year more than ever, that all school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name and year group. I have a number of unnamed items including shoes and a coat, which were left in Year 4 during our time away from school. If you think they may belong to your child, please do let me know.

<u>P.E.</u>

P.E. will take place on a Monday morning. No earrings are allowed to be worn during P.E. lessons, therefore the children need to be able to take them out themselves, or have them taken out in the morning before school.

Homework and Reading

Homework will be given out on a fortnightly basis. The homework will go home on a Friday and be due back the following Friday. It will have to be quarantined before it is looked at and then new homework will be set ready for the next Friday. Reading books will follow the same routine as the homework. Spellings or grammar are also given as part of the homework task. Please help your child learn these. We will set online homework at times, using 'Mymaths'. If you find your child is forgetting to bring homework home, or you have any other concerns, please come and speak to me.

Please encourage your child to read each evening, books they enjoy. It is so important in this age of technology that we invest in their future to become lifelong readers. Children are rewarded if they bring back their Reading Record book, signed, with raffle tickets towards a prize. Thank you for your support.

Mrs Amott (Class Teacher)