

# Puffins & Penguins

## CLASS NEWS

Summer 2024

### Key Learning: Viking invaders



**English: Persuasive letters, Story writing and diary entries.**



**Maths: Shapes, angles, geometry and translations, word problems.**



**Creative Curriculum: The Vikings.**

### Welcome back!

Wow! The last term in Year 5 already. We hope you are all safe and well and have found lots of interesting things to do to keep you busy over the Easter holidays!

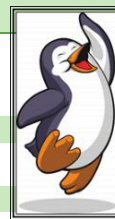
This term, we will start our new topic of Island Invasion. We are going to be learning all about the Vikings, how they lived and their invasions of Britain. For our Art and DT we are hoping to learn about Viking longhouses and ships and eventually design and create our own Viking bridges. In Science, we are going to learn about Forces.

Don't forget that the children should be reading and practicing their spellings every evening. If your child reads 5 times at home, they can move their plane on our 'Around the World' display in school.

We look forward to continuing working with you and your children during this academic year. If you have any concerns or worries about anything at all, please do let us know.

Miss Beattie and Mrs Lewis

**Uniform:** At the beginning of the term, we would like to offer a gentle reminder about uniform - the school's policy is plain white, grey or black socks/tights, sensible shoes (not trainers or boots). A school tie must be worn when wearing a shirt (polos



### KEY DATES

Monday 15th April - pupils return

Life bus visit this week

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Viking Day

Monday 6th May - Bank holiday

HALF TERM - 27th May - 31st May

Summer 2

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 Sports day  
9-11am

Thursday 20th June- Summer Fayre

Tuesday 2nd July - Meet your new  
teacher day

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Meet your new  
teacher afternoon (for parents)

Friday 19th July - Term ends at 1.20pm

and school dresses can now be worn as it is the Summer term) and tied correctly. Hair must be tied up, using plain, school coloured bands or clips, or held back in a plain headband. Jewellery is not to be worn - unless they are plain stud earrings. Nail varnish must not be worn. Our policy is that children who choose not to follow the school dress code will stay in at playtimes unless they borrow appropriate footwear/ties from school.

**Homework:** Thanks for your continued support with homework. We will be continuing with the current system of Spellings and Reading to be done daily. Spellings are given out on a Monday and returned the following week, reading records are to be returned every day so they can be checked and books can be exchanged.

*We have noticed that spellings and times tables knowledge is an area that lots of children in this year group need to work on (especially with the focus on being ready for secondary school) so any additional work you can do at home to encourage, motivate and support your children to learn these would be very beneficial to them. The children also have access and logins to **Bug Club** (Reading) **TTRockstars** (Timetables) and **Spelling Shed** (Spellings).*

**P.E:** Children need to wear PE kit into school on certain days of the week.

**Penguins:** Tuesday and Wednesday

**Puffins:** Monday and Tuesday

PE is usually done outdoors, unless it is raining, so please make sure children have suitable kit - tracksuit bottoms, warm jumper and trainers. As we enter the Summer months it would also be a good idea to have a hat in their bags and sun-cream on before school on particularly sunny days. Earrings and watches **must** be removed for the lessons.

If you have any concerns or worries about anything at all, feel free to contact us on our class emails below.  
Thanks! The Year 5 team.

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