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Year 5 Topic Letter - Autumn Term 2026

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Dear Parents/Carers,

"Welcome back to school! I hope you and your child had an enjoyable and relaxing summer holiday. I am so looking forward to working with this class and supporting their development throughout the academic year. We have a busy year ahead, filled with engaging lessons, fun activities and lots of opportunities for growth and learning.

Our topic for this term is '**Viking Voyages**'. This is a history-based topic, where we will be travelling back in time to explore the world of the Vikings. We will learn about who the Vikings were, where they came from, how they lived and the impact they had on Britain.

Our English lessons will complement this as we cover texts such as *Viking Boy*, *Norse Myths* and *Beowulf* to inspire our writing. If the children have any items of interest relating to the topic at home, please feel free to bring them in and share them with the class.

In addition to this topic letter, you will receive a '*Topic Snapshot*'. This snapshot should be a useful guide to the key learning throughout this term. It would be great if you could discuss the key facts with your child and help them to become familiar with the content and vocabulary.

Curriculum overview for the term ahead:

Maths:	Place Value, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division, Fractions
English:	Literary Study of Texts to Inspire Writing (<i>Viking Boy</i> , <i>Norse Myths</i> , <i>Beowulf</i>)
Science:	Properties and Changes of Materials
Computing:	Online safety/ Programming
Topic:	'Viking Voyages' (<i>Viking lifestyle, raids and settlements, and the geography and climate of Scandinavia</i>)
RE:	Christianity
P.E:	Coach Keeley/ Netball
French:	Greetings/ Family
PSHE:	Emotional Regulation/ Respectful Relationships
Music:	Trumpets and Trombones
D&T:	Textiles
Art:	Pattern/ Texture

P.E. will take place every **Monday** and **Friday**. Please send your child to school in their P.E. kit on these days.

Home learning will be ongoing; set every **Friday** and due on the following Friday. This will usually consist of a spelling list, a maths task, and a reading comprehension task.

Children should continue to keep up with their *Times Table Rockstars* and read at home daily.

Sayers Croft:

Year 5 will be off on our school journey to Sayers Croft (Monday 19th October- Friday 23rd October). This is a fantastic trip: the children will take part in a range of activities led by trained instructors, such as archery, pond dipping, orienteering, shelter building and night walks. The children love it and get so much out of the trip! You will receive a letter soon with more details.

Important dates:

- 15th September - Class Meeting at 5:30
- 8th October - Reading Open Morning
- 19th - 23rd October - Sayer's Croft
- 6th November - Class Assembly
- 19th November - Writing Open Morning
- 24th/ 25th November - Parents Evening
- 30th November - Trip to National Maritime Museum
- 10th December - Junior Christmas Show
- 17th December - Junior Christmas Party

Further details regarding the trips will be sent out at a later date. Volunteers to accompany us will be greatly appreciated - please sign up to help in the office.

I hope to build a strong relationship with you as we work together to ensure the success of your child. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions throughout the year. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Stella Nnochiri

