

# Cherry Platts: Curriculum Information Letter



**TEACHER:** Miss Bateman

**HOMEWORK:** Is sent home on a Friday and consists of a weekly spelling list and a reading/ writing/ SPAG or Maths task. **To be completed by the following:** Thursday

**Reading Records** – Handed in and checked on Monday

**Spelling Test:** Friday

**PE** – Tuesday (Game on) and Friday (please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school each week).

**Reading:** Please read with your child at least 5 times each week. Once you have heard your child read, please sign with a comment about your child's reading. Your child can share and record their own comments about their reading to supplement an adult's. Reading and recording 6 or 7 times a week consistently will earn a space at the readers' tea!

## Autumn Curriculum: Anglo-Saxons & Vikings

Much of your child's learning will feed into this topic. We will be considering the following questions as a basis of our learning: Why did they choose to invade and settle in Britain? What was everyday life like during these time periods?

<b>English</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Writing about characters and extending vocabulary using The Nowhere Emporium by Ross Mackenzie.</li><li>• Creating non-chronological reports about emperor penguins.</li><li>• Continue a narrative from a PIXAR short animation.</li><li>• Guided reading will focus on a range of current and classical texts. A new text will be introduced each week.</li></ul>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Further developing and securing your child's understanding of place value and the four calculation operations.</li><li>• Times tables (up to 12 x 12 will be practised each week.)</li></ul>
<b>Science</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Earth and Space: Focusing on our solar system and the movement of the Earth and the other planets relative to the sun.</li><li>• Forces: Exploring the concepts of gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.</li></ul>
<b>Computing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Focusing on the importance of e-safety both in and outside school.</li><li>• Developing word processing and PowerPoint skills.</li></ul>
<b>History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anglo-Saxons and Vikings: Where they came from and the areas that they invaded and settled in. Exploring everyday life during these periods and the influence they had then and in Britain today.</li><li>• Investigating the life of Katherine Johnson and the impact she made in history.</li></ul>
<b>Religious Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Our two key questions this term are: 'Do Muslims need the Qur'an?' and 'Does God communicate with humans?'</li></ul>
<b>PE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Netball and gymnastics.</li><li>• Invasion games and tag rugby (Game On).</li></ul>
<b>Art / DT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exploring different mediums to create a Viking ship, using colours and lines to show movement.</li></ul>
<b>Music</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Listening and understanding tone of music including modern classical and early baroque opera.</li></ul>
<b>PSHE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Being Me in My World - Who am I and how do I fit?</li><li>• Celebrating Difference - Respect for similarity and difference. Anti-bullying and being unique.</li></ul>
<b>French</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Revisiting basic French greetings.</li><li>• Weather .</li><li>• Months and dates.</li></ul>

**Possible family visits/ activities which would enrich your child's learning:**

- Visit The British Museum, London.
- Visit the library and borrow texts based on Anglo-Saxons and Vikings, as well as Earth and Space.
- Visit Chiltern Open Air Museum to discover more about Anglo-Saxons.

**Practical ways to support your child's learning:**

- Please work with your child to consolidate their times tables up to 12 X 12 and their related division facts. For example,  $7 \times 8 = 56$ .  $56 \div 8 = 7$ .
- Encourage your child to read a range of fiction and non-fiction books. Discuss the books your child has read and read together. If you are looking for recommendations, please use this website:  
<https://www.thereaderteacher.com/year5>
- Help with weekly spellings, making sure they also understand the meaning of the words and can use them cohesively within a sentence.