## Year 5

Let's have an amazing year of curiosity, happiness and achievement!



## English

We are starting English with a unit on the Nowhere Emporium.



Our class reading books for this term will be How To Train Your Dragon (as we are learning about the Vikings) as well as Viking sagas.

We know that children who read for pleasure at this age get better GCSE and A-Level results.

I am going to work incredibly hard (e.g. Featured Author, reading with adults in school, finding their favourite genre) to help them love reading.

**HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD?** 

Ideally, children will read to an adult every day. If you meet resistance there are solutions! (Reading TO them, audio books, comics, kindle.)

Take them to the library or bookshop.

#### **Maths**

We will start with Place Value, then move on to basic operations and fractions.

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD?

Telling time is a life long skill but it is very tricky, so practise it whenever you can!

Go to the shops, use cash and figure out the change.

Practise times tables in the car.

### Science

We are starting with a unit on the Earth & Space. We will do as many scientific enquiries as possible so children are prepared for the KS3 classroom.



Lie out in the garden and observe the amazing night sky.

Watch documentaries e.g. Prof Brian Cox.



# History

We are starting with the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings, then will move on to Geography (Our Neighbours - Europe.)

We will work as historians in lots of ways, culminating in a dress-up collapsed curriculum day.

HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD

Most Viking documentaries and tv dramas are a bit brutal for Y5, but reading around the topic is always a good idea.



#### RE

We are starting with the Qur'an and why it is important to Muslims.

#### HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD?

A core idea of the Muslim faith is that people help others e.g. they look after their elders, hold doors open, donate to charity.



#### ICT

We will talk about online safety a lot, as this is such an important issue.

#### **HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD?**

Social media is a horrible minefield for children and prents. It's a good idea for devices to be in the living room and phones to go away at night.

I recommend no more than two clicks on the sidebar of doom.



I am always available for a chat at pick-up time. Please feel free to email the office and ask for a phone call if pick-up time isnt convenient. I would like to stay in frequent contact with every family, so we can get the best out of this year.

Any questions?



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