

Literacy - During the run up to Christmas we will build on the basic skills that we are developing. It is important that the children to continue to check their work as they are composing it. We will use this editing through writing diary entries, explanations, narratives and instructions, linked to Odd and the Frost Giants.

Alongside this we will look at SPaG topics including speech, lists and punctuation. Spellings will be given on a weekly basis; please help your child by practising these at home with them.

Maths This half term we will be looking at multiplication and division as well as area, perimeter and time. This will all include problem solving.

Computing

This half term we will be continuing our learning on coding. Designing and creating programs to complete a variety of tasks.

DT and Art - Linked to our topic of Vikings we will be creating a Viking collage inspired by Pablo Picasso.

We will also be using computer coding to create a light up Christmas card.



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Science - For this half term, we will be continuing our theme of Living Things by looking at How We Grow. We will learn about the life cycle of humans and finding out how we change as we get older.

Reading - This half-term we will be reading Odd and the Frost Giants by Neil Gaiman. This will be read individually and as a class. Please help us at home by asking your child about the story and also encouraging them to read for at least 15 minutes and then giving them the opportunity to discuss what they have read. In class we will be focusing on finding evidence from the text to support our answers. Please join us for reading mornings every Friday this term.

History

Our topic this half term will continue to be "Vikings and Anglo-Saxons, friends or foes?". As we have spent a lot of time focusing on the Anglo-Saxons, we will now be looking at the Vikings. This will include looking at why the Vikings came to Britain and how Britain changed when they came. To get a head start on this please visit: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/vikings/>