

Hawthorn Class Newsletter

Term 3



During this term we have had lots of fun learning our new topic of the Vikings. As a class, we enjoyed dressing up in character and welcoming Newington's Hawthorn Class to join us for a fun filled Viking Day. It was great fun learning about the use of their shields and creating our own, before re-enacting a battle. We even made Viking bread using an old recipe—yet it is safe to say that we weren't big fans!



In Science we made our own electrical circuits and learnt how electricity is made and how it travels to different sources. We compared complete and non-complete circuits, along with understanding the importance of switches.



In Maths we learnt how to multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers as well as divide using different methods. We also looked into factor pairs and learnt how to calculate area as well as fractions. In Literacy we focused on creating our own play scripts based on our class text book, Beowulf, and also wrote our own mythical stories involving a powerful hero!

We were very lucky to be able to take part in a workshop called 'Around the World' where we learnt about different countries, including their climate, traditional dishes and famous monuments. This was made great fun as they learnt through performance of dance.



Next Term ...

In Term 4 we look forward to meeting our Linking Project class from Snodland Primary School for a tour of the Medway campus University.

In Topic we will be exploring maps — learning how to read them, understanding why 4 figure grid references are useful and using this knowledge to create our own. Towards the end of term we hope to go and visit Newington Primary school to put our map reading skills into practice and go on a treasure hunt!

In Design Technology we will be partaking in the Pringle challenge — this is where we will be designing a package to send a single Pringle internationally, across to America. We have been in touch with a school in America who are also doing this challenge and we will be sending 3 packages to each other and analysing which designs protect the Pringle the best.

In P.E we will be learning Netball skills. PE days will continue to be on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please remember to remove jewellery on these days.

For Literacy we have a new book called 'How to train your Dragon' and we will be learning how to write instructions in chronological order, using imperative verbs, identifying and using nouns in our writing, focussing on correct punctuation and showing speech all whilst making our vocabulary descriptive to make ordinary objects seem amazing.

In Maths we will be focusing on fractions and decimals.

In R.E we will be learning about Salvation and in French we shall be learning about modes of transport.



Don't Forget...

Please ensure your child is reading as often as they can each week and it is recorded in their green book for us to see, as prizes and certificates can be achieved!

Also, as a class we are working hard on our times table knowledge, so please encourage practise at home as 'every little helps'.



And Finally...

Have a lovely half term. I look forward to hearing all what you have been up to.

