



Pendragon Community Primary School Tigers Class – Mrs Buck & Mrs Huntley

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National Curriculum

As **Readers** we will read and explore nonfiction texts linked to our history topic. We will be reading Michael Morpurgo's retelling of Beowulf. We will also be continuing to read a variety of age-appropriate extracts in our daily guided reading sessions.

As **Writers** we will write our own new chapter of Beowulf and will explore the use of kennings to create poetry.

As **Artists** we will be looking at dying fabrics with natural dyes and colour-mixing from nature.

In **DT** we will be finishing our work with textiles completing our bags and will be learning about mechanical systems with a focus on pulleys and gears.

In **PE** we will be practicing our net skills and will also be working on our Co-operation, communication and consideration skills in OAA (Outdoor and Adventurous Activities). Both PE sessions will be outdoor this half term.

How is life different to that of our ancestors?

Year 5 – Spring 2



How is our life different to that of the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings?

As **Historians** we will be learning about what life was like during Anglo-Saxon and Viking times compared to today. We will look at Anglo-Saxon and Viking settlements; culture; clothes and jewellery; and how the law was upheld during Anglo-Saxon and Viking times.



As **Mathematicians** we will continue learning about fractions (ordering fractions, adding, subtracting and multiplying fractions). We will also look at measure, area, volume and capacity.

As **Linguists**, we will be learning vocabulary associated with food and mealtimes and be able to express our likes and dislikes.

In **PSHCE** we will develop understanding of medicines, alcohol and nicotine and their effects. We will also explore awareness of solvents and illegal drugs, and will consider a wide range of drug-related situations.

As **Musicians** we will be using the song 'Dancing in the Street' to develop our skills of singing, composing, playing instruments and performing.

In **RE** we will learn about Hindu beliefs and consider what we can learn from reflecting on Christian, Sikh and Muslim wisdom.

In **Computing** we will be creating games using Purple Mash.





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Supporting Learning at Home

- Mathletics: www.mathletics.co.uk will be set on Fridays and due the following Thursday.
- Maths: Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) will be sent home to learn each half term. This half term's KIRFs are: to be able to recall square numbers up to 12² and their square roots.
- © **Times Tables** Please continue to practise multiplication tables up to 12 × 12 as this was a target for the end of Year 4.
- © **Spelling** Children will be provided with a spelling activity to complete at home. This will be sent home on Fridays and should be returned on the following Thursday.
- © Reading book Ideally read daily for at least 10-15mins. Children earn a sticker for their Bookflix loyalty card every time they complete a book review or character profile for each book they read. Once they complete a card, they get to spin the prize wheel at school. Children are being encouraged to read titles from the Year 5 Recommended Reads booklist.

Bugclub: www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

School code: qkc7

Bug Club

Contact

For any queries or enquiries, please contact your child's teacher via the school office using the email address below:

office@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk

The office will forward your email on to the class teacher. If you have an urgent message, please continue to call the office.

Lions Class: Miss Hart

Tigers Class:
Mrs Buck (Mondays, Wednesdays,
Thursdays, Fridays)
Mrs Huntley (Tuesdays)



PE Lessons

Please ensure that your child comes in to school wearing their PE kit, ready for PE on the PE days below:

Tigers PE is on <u>Wednesdays</u> and <u>Thursdays</u>. Lions PE is on <u>Mondays</u> and <u>Thursdays</u>. ALL PE SESSIONS WILL BE OUTDOORS FOR THIS HALF TERM.

If your child has long hair, please ensure they have a hair band, as long hair must be tied back for PE. It is expected that all children can remove watches/earrings for PE. If your child is unable to remove their own stud earrings these should be removed at home on PE days or micropore tape provided so they can cover them. Thank you for your support with this.

The Haven and wellies

Each class will have a weekly time slot to use the Haven. Wellies should be brought into and kept in school so that this space can be used throughout the year. **Both classes** will use the Haven on **Wednesdays** (weather permitting).

Personal belongings in school

We are seeing an increase in children bringing items into school. Your child should only come into school each day with their packed lunch, water bottle and reading book. All other resources that the children require for their learning will be provided by school.