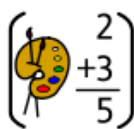


# Curriculum Newsletter

Class: 14 Phoenixes Term: Spring 1



Our Spring 1 topic is 'Vikings'. We will be investigating how Vikings lived and creating our own version of Viking artefacts.



Our Spring 1 text is Vicious Vikings. We will be reading this to find out more about the Vikings and their gruesome deeds.

## MY COMMUNICATION



- In English: Reading and Writing we are developing our knowledge of how the Vikings lived. We will use the information we gather to create a fact booklet about the Vikings. We will develop our verbal communication skills by sharing elements of our work with our peers.
- We are developing our communication skills through learning different Makaton signs for Vikings, Animals and Foods.

## MY THINKING AND PROBLEM SOLVING



- Our Maths topic this half term is Number and Place Value. Our application focus is Properties of Shape.
- In Science: Chemistry we are investigating 'Materials and their properties' through a variety of experiments.
- In Computing we are using our newly developed skills to research different aspects of Viking life on the laptops, as well as continuing with Sumdog on the iPads.

## MY PSED



- In Physical Education we are learning about Gymnastics and Dance and developing our ability to balance and put balances into sequences.
- In RSHE we are developing understanding of changing adolescent bodies.
- In Careers and Enterprise, we are continuing to develop our employability skills focusing on Teamwork and working positively together, as well as having visitors and virtual tours of local Post 18 providers.

## MY CREATIVITY



- In Art we are researching patterns and shapes that were important to the Vikings and including them when creating our own take on Viking armour using a range of different materials, including salt dough.
- In Food Technology lessons we are learning how to make foods we like but with healthy alternatives and ingredients.
- Some of our learners are continuing with their Music lessons.

## THE WORLD ABOUT ME



- We are learning about Geography and History through our other lessons this half term, looking at who the Vikings were, where they came from, how they travelled, what weapons they used and how they impacted on our lives today.
- We are also learning about the world of work through choosing and completing Class Jobs for wages.

## OTHER INFORMATION



- Learners are welcome to bring a change of clothes for Thursday's Physical Education lessons and a self-care bag to maintain good hygiene. As we need to be in bare feet or grip socks for Gymnastics and Dance, you are welcome to send in a pair of grip socks for your young person to use this half term.