



St Mark's CE Primary School

'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'

Year 5 Newsletter

Summer 2

What was life like in Medieval England?

This half term, we will be exploring the History of Medieval England. The topic focuses on how Medieval England started, the causes of the plague in Britain, the role of the knights, the two princes in the tower and the significance of the Battle of Bosworth. In the first week back, the children will visit Warwick Castle where they will take part in an Attack and Defence workshop and learn more about The War of the Roses.

English

This half-term, we will be using the book: 'Outlaw, The True Story of Robin Hood' written by Michael Morpurgo.

Our key learning throughout this will be targeted towards writing a non-chronological report and a persuasive letter.



Reading

Thank you to all parents for your commitment with your child's reading. We must stress the great impact that reading has on all areas of children's learning. To celebrate reading, all children that are able to read at least 5 times a week at home will be entered into the Star Readers prize draw every Friday for their chance to win a book to take home. In school, all children will continue to have daily guided reading sessions, as well as reading individually with the class teacher or support staff.

Homework

Please look out for your child's learning log each week. The children will continue to have a selection of homework. Please sign the homework log once your child has completed the week's task. Homework will be given out **every Friday** and collected back in **every Wednesday**.

Maths

This half term, children will focus on geometry and measurement. This will include exploring angles: measuring angles, the investigation of angles on a line/point and drawing angles. We will then move onto exploring the measurement of mass, temperature, time and length.

During the summer term, all children at St Mark's take an NTS Maths test. We will be using these tests to monitor and evaluate the progress the children have made in Maths this term and support the end of term assessments for each child.

Science

We will continue with our topic, **Can you feel the force?** We will learn about what friction is and its effect on moving objects, the effects of water resistance on an object and what air resistance is. We will also look at who Isaac Newton is and learn about gravity.



P.E.

The children in 5B and 5J will be having swimming lessons on a **Wednesday** morning and will need swimming trunks (boys) or costume (girls), and a towel. All children **must** wear a **swimming cap**.

No Jewellery. Please ensure earrings are removed on swimming days.