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English

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Maths

Fractions and Decimals

Our next unit is about fractions and decimals. We will continue to develop their knowledge about fractions, as we will compare, order, add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. We will then find fractions of amounts and use this to solve problems. Our unit decimals, will introduce children to dividing two-digit numbers by 10 and 100. Recognise and round decimals with up to two decimal places.

Multiplication and Division

We will continue to develop our fluency of the multiplication and division facts. We will practise them in different order and with a different game. Children all have their TTRockstars logins, so they can practise at home.

How can I help my child at home?

- Ask them what they are **learning about** in school.
- Make sure they have **equipment** to do their **learning at home**.
- Check your child is doing their **learning at home** and handing it in on THURSDAYS!
- **Listen to your child read** every night and talk to them about the book (this can be done in English or the home language) – use the questions in their reading records.
- Help them practice their **times tables**
- Help them learn their **spellings**.

Where can we go as a family to support my child's learning?

Talking at Home

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Upcoming trips / visits / visitors / theme days

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- 4GW Explorer day - TBC
- Viking Day - TBC
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Theme

HiStory

This half term we will be looking at how the Anglo Saxons and Vikings have made an impact on British History. We will be looking at artefacts and how they helped build up a picture of life during this time. Also, we will be researching what life was like during this time and how an event from the past has shaped our life today.

Science

We will be continuing our electricity topic. We will investigate what materials are insulators and conductors. We will apply our knowledge to create a toy that lights up using electricity.

Design Tech

In design technology, we will be creating our own levers, which we will then use in our construction of a Viking longship. We will create our designs using split pins, carboard and paper.

PHSCE

Rights & Respect

Our unit this term is rights and respect, we will be looking at what rights we have as children. We will talk about our community and what responsibilities people including ourselves have.

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1. Don't give anyone your password, name, address, the name of your school or any information about your family
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7. Don't post pictures of yourself without your parents' permission
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9. If you have any questions about something you read, ask your parent or guardian
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