

# Year 4 Newsletter

## Middleton Parish Church School

### English

This half term in reading, children will read a variety of different texts to answer a range of different style comprehension questions. We will pay particular focus on answering questions, which require the children to give pieces of evidence from a text.

### Writing

In writing, we will be using the book '1066: The Norman Conquest' as our stimulus. We will be writing our very own historical narrative based on the period of time surrounding the Battle of Hastings and also writing newspaper recounts.



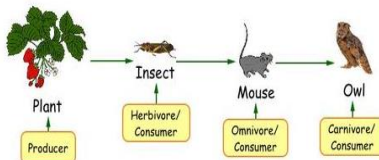
### Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



### Science

Our science topic this term is 'Animals Including Humans.' We will be learning all about the basic parts and functions of the digestive system in humans, the different types of teeth that humans have and also how to construct and interpret different food chains identifying producers, predators and prey.



### Reading

#### Class Novel

This half term we will be reading 1066: The Norman Conquest  
I Was There... 1066 tells the thrilling story of a young page boy at the heart of the Battle of Hastings. Edwin risks everything to infiltrate the Norman army and find out William of Normandy's plans for King Harold.

#### Reading Books and GOREad!

Children have been loving our replenished class library and will continue to select books from it, with the guidance of the teaching team.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GOREad.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GOREad in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read alongside in vocabulary books.



### Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mr Brown or Miss Duncan please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is  
[year4@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:year4@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk)

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is  
[office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk)

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

[Eandl@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:Eandl@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk)

## Summer 1 2022

### History

In History, we will be learning all the Anglo-Saxon Kings of England and the struggle for power including who Edward the Confessor was and what happened after he died including The Battle of Hastings.

### P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School will be back on a Friday for Year 4. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Friday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag.

### PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'No Way Through.' In this topic, we are thinking about what we can do in a situation where we find ourselves stuck or struggling. We will learn the importance of having perseverance and not giving up just because we might find something tricky.



### Religious Education

In R.E. we are looking at the topic 'God, David and the Psalms. We will be learning all about David, why he is special and retelling some of the Bible stories that he appears in. We will also be considering their own values and the values of others.



### Maths

In maths this half term, children will continue to learn about decimals thinking about how to order, compare and round them to the nearest whole number. The children will also begin learning about money and using their problem solving skills to add and subtract different amounts and find the amount of change someone might need.

We are continuing to practise our times tables and your support with this at home is very important as we prepare the children for the multiplication check, which will take place in Summer 2.

