

Thornton In Craven COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

January 2025

In <u>English</u> lessons this term, we are exploring storytelling and myths through *Arthur and the Golden Rope*. This links to our history topic of The Vikings. We will think about ways to describe characters, settings and plot and how to move our stories forward through different sentence openings.



<u>In Maths</u> we continue to use formal methods for addition and subtraction, then moving on to multiplication and division and finishing with measurement and area. We will also be working on quick recall of times tables. Year 4s will take a times table test in the summer term. Regular practise of new tables and repetition of ones previously learnt is invaluable. Details of tables to be practised are on your child's homework grid. Here are some links to support you doing this at home:

Times Tables Rock Stars: Play (ttrockstars.com)



White Rose 1 minute maths app

Reading – Your child will have 2 reading books. One is an AR book chosen according to their reading range. Reading with an adult remains really important so new words and understanding can be discussed. Our reading bookmarks provide questions to help these discussions. We ask that you aim to read daily with your child, making a note in their student journal. House points are awarded for every time they have read at home (with written proof!) Your child will also be read with at least once a week in school.

Their second book is chosen from our class library and is to be enjoyed as you wish, looking at the pictures, a book for you to read to your child or to read together.

Homework

In addition to reading and timetables, you child will receive a Homework Grid. There are a variety of tasks from which they need to pick 4 to complete by the October half term.

Student Planners

Your child will have a student planner. There is space for reading to be logged and messages written by home and school. These will be checked daily in school and we ask that you do the same at home to aid communication. There is space for you to sign at the end of the week to show you have accessed this.

History

In history, we will be learning about the Vikings invasion of Britain and considering whether they should be remembered as invaders or settlers.



<u>Art</u>

We will be exploring the landscapes created by David Hockney and using his ideas to pain our own.



Science

We will be studying plants; the functions of their different parts, their lifecycle and why they are so important in our lives.

PHSE

We will be exploring strengths and challenges while continuing with our work on zones of regulation, identifying emotions and what triggers them.

Latin

We will be learning simple greeting by getting to know a Roman family.

PΕ

We are learning dance and fitness skills. The children have PE every **Tuesday and Wednesday** Earrings should not be worn for any PE session please help your child stay safe by removing their earrings on a PE day.

R.E.

In RE we will be considering the question "What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?"

Computing

In computing we will be learning touch typing skills.

<u>Music</u>

We will continue to practise our songs in preparation for the Young Voices concert in February.