

# Year 6 Autumn Newsletter



Welcome back! I am really looking forward to this year - we have lots of exciting things planned. Here is what we will be learning in our lessons this term:



**English** We will study a variety of books and use them to inspire our own writing. This term we will use 'Skellig' by David Almond; 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio and 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens.



**Science** During the first half-term we will look in detail at the heart, and also the importance of a healthy lifestyle. After half-term, we will study in detail the concept of evolution and Darwin's theories.

**RE**



We will also look at the theme of Life as journey, and the importance of Advent to Christians.

**Music**



Singing—Living on a prayer, A New Year Carol

Instrument—glockenspiels



Spellings must be learnt. Test will be on Friday. You will also find a copy of the statutory spellings set by the government on the school website.

**Maths**



We will be focusing on place value and numbers up to 10,000,000, as well as decimal and negative numbers. We will move onto formal methods for addition and subtraction, as well as multiplication and division. Before Christmas, we will be focusing on fractions, including comparing and also calculating with fractions.

**Topic**

Our topic work for the Autumn term will look at the Vikings. We will explore the traditions of the Vikings, as well as reasons they invaded and settled in Britain.



**PE**



First half-term = Health Related Fitness/ Netball. Second half-term = invasion games and gymnastics.

**Reading**



Remember to continue with Reading Plus and also reading your own books!

**Art/DT**



We will be refining our skills to produce portraits, as well as producing piece of art for the Vikings including paintings and sculptures.

**PSHE**



**Safety** - keeping safe at all times including how to respond in an emergency.

**Parents!** Make sure you follow us on twitter @CCPS\_NShields for frequent updates! Also check out our class page on the website to see what we have been getting up to.



Remember—in year 6 you are expected to know all times tables! Keep practising! Tables test each Friday.

**Any questions, please get in touch.**

**Mrs Wake**