

Our Values
Respect, Kindness, Resilience,
Integrity, Honesty and Trust



- Our Pledge**
- Listen and Learn
 - Do our best
 - Look after each other
 - Look after our school

Year 5 Newsletter Spring 1 2025

We have enjoyed a very busy half term!

In **history**, we have started to learn about the Anglo-Saxons. We kick-started our topic with a brilliant tablet tour workshop at the British Museum. Investigating the artefacts from Sutton Hoo, it is clear to see that it would be wrong to describe the Anglo-Saxons as living in the Dark Ages. We have also found out about the Anglo-Saxon saga Beowulf and using our script writing skills from our Literacy lessons, we have dramatized the story and have written our own scripts. We performed Beowulf on Thursday 13th as part of our class assembly.



In **science**, we completed our Earth and Space topic and we have now started learning about Habitats and Living Things. We greatly enjoyed the luxury of travelling by coach to Epping Forest where we had two workshops with the Field Studies Council. We collected and looked at mini beasts and we found various animals when pond dipping including newts. It was great learning about habitats in such a fantastic habitat.

In **literacy**, we have been reading, discussing and writing poetry with a focus on creating images in the reader's mind. We wrote some fantastic poems based on space and nature and have learnt all about metaphors, similes and personification. We have also learnt about play scripts and the different features we need to include such as adverbial phrases, the present progressive tense and dynamic direct speech, which moves the story along.

In **maths**, we have learning how to multiply 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers and how to divide 4-digit numbers by 1-digit. We have looked at apply these methods when solving word problems involving multiplication and division. We are now moving on to fractions and we will learn how to multiply fractions.

Last week, we took part in **Number Day** and was it great to see the children exploring all the measurement activities and applying their mathematical knowledge to help solve the problems.



In **Destination Reader**, we have been reading the fantastic book *There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom*. We have read the book together as a class and in pairs, and we have focused on developing our key reading skills e.g. Evaluation, Inference, Prediction. Summarizing, Making Connections.

