

Thakeham Primary  
School  
Elder Class

# Spring Term 2022

## King for a Day



Our place in the world.  
Learning for life.  
Inspired learners.

## English

**This term our key texts will be:**

- Beowulf retold by Michael Morpurgo.
- King Arthur Legends
- The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes
- Macbeth

**Our writing will be focused on developing cohesion and a greater understanding of purpose, audience and effectiveness. We will produce writing in the following genres:**

- Formal and informal letters
- Narrative
- Discussion

## Science

**Our topic is 'Properties and changes of material'.**

**We will experiment with:**

- Dissolving
- Cooling and heating
- Reversible and irreversible changes
- Soluble and insoluble substances
- Solids, liquids and gases

**We will learn about the scientists:**

- Spencer Silver
- Ruth Benerito

## Computing

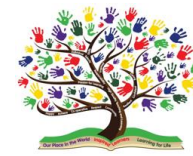
**This term we will be focusing on:**

- manipulating digital images
- reducing our digital footprint
- staying safe online when vlogging

## Maths

**Our maths topics this term are:**

- Decimals and percentages
- Measure
- Perimeter, area and volume
- Data
- Algebra (Y6)
- Ratio (Y6)
- Angles



We will continue to consolidate and extend our mental maths skills and calculation formal methods and strategies. We will be working both conceptually and procedurally.

When learning something new we encourage the children to use the CPA approach.

Concrete - using objects and equipment

Pictorial - represent their thinking using pictures

Abstract - using numbers and symbols to solve calculations



## PE

Monday – Basketball (Autumn 1) Racket Sports (Autumn 2)

Thursday – Dance (Autumn 1) Gymnastics (Autumn 2)

## PSHE - Jigsaw

We will be thinking about and discussing our **dreams and goals** and being a **healthy me**.

## Other highlights

**Forest Schools** (Autumn 1) on Mondays 10/1/22 to 14/2/22  
Please ensure your child has a suitably warm change of clothes.

**History** Our topic 'King for a Day' will uncover the continuation of British history through the eyes of the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings and their invasion and settlements in England.

**Geography** Using mapping skills, we look at the impact of local Anglo-Saxon settlements in Sussex.

**Music** We will be continuing to compose and perform on the recorder during this term, so can the children please keep their recorders in school.

**Art and Design** The children will be developing their sewing skills as they design and make a Saxon money bag.

## Please remember...

### English Homework

- **Set** on a **Monday** on **Google Classroom**.
- **Turned in** on a **Friday** on **Google Classroom**.
- **Reading Diaries** are checked on a **Friday**. Your child should be reading to an adult or independently, at least three times a week.

### Maths Homework

- **Set** on a **Friday** on **Google Classroom**.
- **Turned in** on a **Wednesday** on **Google Classroom**.

## Elder staff



### **Mrs H Macready (Class Teacher)**

Mrs J Sippy (Learning Support)  
Mrs S Ede (Learning Support)  
Mrs J Bowbrick (Learning Support)  
Mrs F Knight (French Teacher on a Thursday)  
Mrs A Ingham (Teacher on a Friday)  
Mrs K Talbot (PE Teacher SGS)  
Mrs A Hutchings (PE Teacher SGS)

## Home Learning if isolating

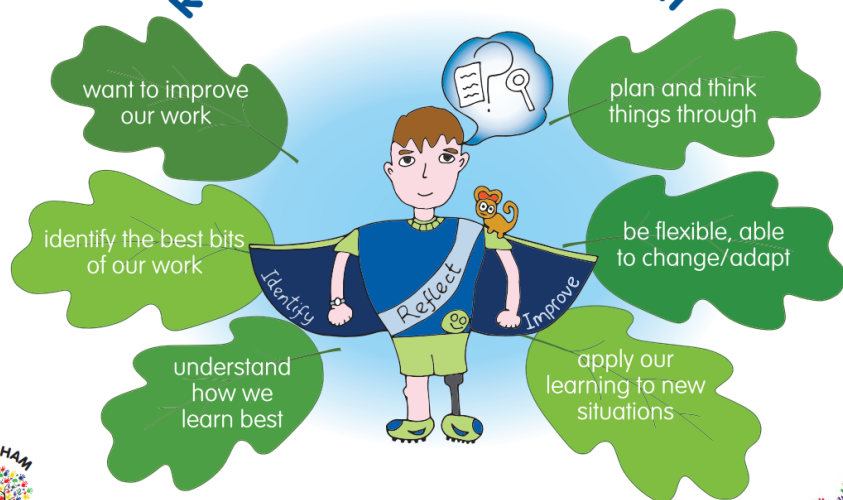
If well enough and if your child needs to access Home Learning set by the class teacher when isolating, please go to the Google Classroom page using your child's normal email *name.name@edu.thakehamps.co.uk*

## Key Dates

4/1/22 INSET  
8/2/22 Safer Internet Day  
10/2/22 Year 6 KS2 Test Meeting  
16/2/22 Parents' Evening  
17/2/22 Parents' Evening  
21/2/22 Half Term Holiday  
3/3/22 World Book Day  
31/3/22 Class Photos  
6/4/22 Easter Service at Trinity Church  
8/4/22 End of Term

## Reflective, Reviewing Rowan

Who helps us to:



'Small School, Big Opportunities, Great Achievements'

## Positive, Persevering Perry

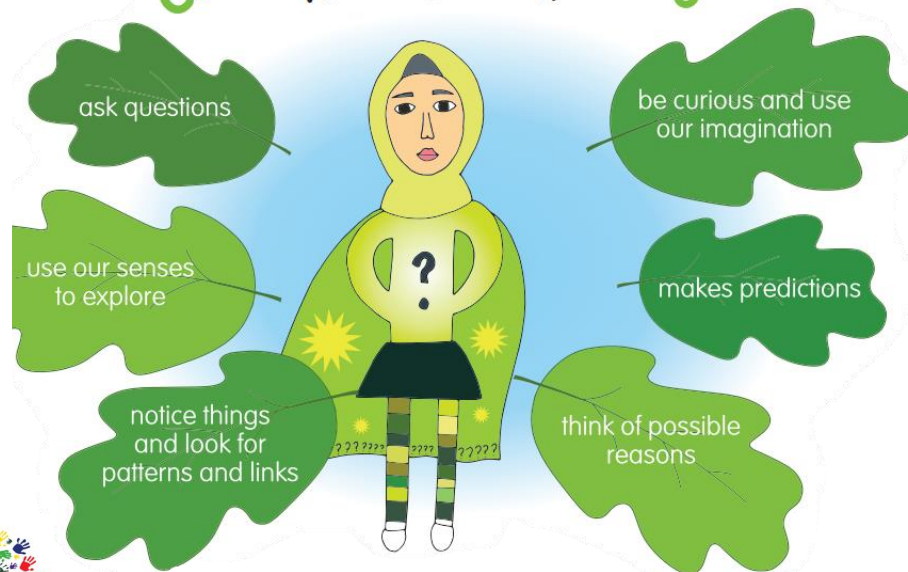
Who helps us to:



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## Curious, Questioning Cleo

Who helps us to:



## Co-operative, Caring Chloe

Who helps us to:

