Year 5 Unit 2 Topic: The Vikings!

This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home!

	At School	At Home
English	In English, the children will learn and write through a range of fiction and non-fiction texts – exploring in depth newspaper articles, letters and setting descriptions.  Daily spelling lessons will help children to learn new spelling patterns and cover the Year 5 spelling words.  Handwriting lessons will encourage children to join their writing, sizing and spacing letters correctly whilst writing with increasing speed.	<ul> <li>Aim to hear your child read at least three times a week.</li> <li>Read your child a book on a night. Promote a love of reading.</li> <li>Encourage your child to seize as many writing opportunities as possible.</li> </ul>
Maths	In Maths, the children continue to develop their understanding of addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. They will learn how to compare, convert and order fractions, and begin adding and subtracting mixed numbers.	<ul> <li>Continue to revise times tables up to 12x.</li> <li>Practise addition and subtraction methods at home.</li> </ul>
Science	In Science, the focus will be Forces. The children will explore the effects of air resistance, water resistance, gravity and friction. They will carry out a range of scientific investigations by analysing and representing data, and reaching a scientific conclusion.	<ul> <li>Explore forces at home and carry out your own investigations!</li> </ul>
History	In History, the children will learn about the Viking invasion of Britain and Anglo Saxon settlements. They will begin to explore the Viking way of life and why they were known to be such ruthless warriors.	Research facts about the Vikings at home.
ЪЕ	In PE, the focus this half term is handball and tag rugby. The class will participate in a range of fun, active, engaging lessons concentrating on a specific skill each lesson.	<ul> <li>Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise.</li> </ul>
RE	In RE, pupils will be answering the learning question, "If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?" They will learn about the various purposes of a place of worship as well as how believers see these places.	<ul> <li>Discuss different beliefs about God with your child at home.</li> </ul>
Latin	The children will continue to learn Latin as their foreign language. This term, the children will learn about third group nouns.	<ul> <li>Ask your child which new Latin words they have learnt that week.</li> </ul>
Comput er Science and IT	In Computing, the children focus on video production. They will learn how to create short videos in groups and develop the skills of capturing, editing, and manipulating video.	Practise creating your own videos at home.

Online Safety	In Online Safety, the children will learn all about online relationships and explore what actions to take when something makes you feel worried or unhappy online.	Talk to your child about Online Safety and the rules in your home.
Music	In Music,	
Art	In Art our focus will be drawing. The children will look at the temporary construction lines and how they can be used to create a vanishing viewpoint. Our focus artists for this year are Georgia O'Keeffe, Andy Warhol and Turner.	<ul> <li>Look at different art work created by drawing</li> <li>Discuss our 3 artists - Georgia O'Keeffe, Andy Warhol and Turner.</li> </ul>
Personal, Social and Health Education	In PSHE, our focus is 'Living in Our World'. The children gain a understanding of why the British Value are important and explore the levels of democracy in our country.	Discuss the British Values with your child at home.
Virtue	Within school we have 6 virtues: fairness, kindness, bravery, respect, coolness and stickability which are all interwoven through our curriculum and, policies and every day practice. This half term our virtue is <b>kindness</b> .	Discuss what looks like in day to day scenarios.