We hope that you had a restful and enjoyable half term. We cannot believe that we are already in half term 6. Before we know it, the children will be in Year 6! Where does the time go?

This half term is a particularly busy one with lots of exciting events planned!

**English**

Work this half term will be focused on the classic narrative poem – ‘The Highwayman,’ by Alfred Noyes.

We will begin by unpicking the language used in the poem and the meaning of the poem. The children will then use the poem as a basis to write their own narrative.

**Maths**

In our sets this half term, we will be continue to focus on consolidating our understanding of all Year 5 objectives. Each set will be focusing on different objective to meet the needs of the children within that set.

**Growing Gains Update**

The garden is looking fantastic at the moment thanks to the children's hard work. We are all excited for our Growing Gains Feast on Friday July 12th!

**Assessment Week**

Assessment week will commence on Monday 10th June. In order to prepare the children for Year 6, some of the assessments will take place in the school hall.
Useful Information

This half term we are starting our 'Vicious Vikings' topic which I am sure the children will thoroughly enjoy. We are kick starting the topic with an exciting Inspiration Day on Friday 7th June. During the topic, we will look at some of the famous Viking invasions, how the Vikings lived and learn about Edward the Confessor and his death in 1066.

In Art and Design the children will be continuing to design and make their own CAM toy. They will also be making their own bread.

Our PSHE topic this half term is about changes.

In Science we will continue to look at the properties and changes of a range of materials before completing some work based on a famous scientist.

PE we will be learning to play cricket and develop our athletics skills.

In RE we will be looking at the Gospels and the meanings behind them.

In French we will be learning where different places are located in France as well as taking part in French day.

In Computing we will continue to look at internet research and webpage design.

Reading: Children will be coming home with reading books regularly. Please continue to encourage your children to read at home records. Please initial their entries to show that you have heard or seen them read.

Homework will continue to be set on Fridays and we ask that it is returned by the following Wednesday. We do expect children's homework to be presented neatly. Please sign completed homework and add any comments if necessary.

Spellings will continue to be sent out and tested on Fridays and children will be encouraged to practise these whenever possible. Three sentences need to be written using three of the spelling words.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact us.

The Year 5 Team