

Jigsaw

Dreams and Goals

Healthy Me

RE/Music

Christianity

Beat and rhythm

PE

Leadership Training

Invasion games

Experiences

World Book Day
World Maths Day
Viking 'BANG' lesson



Invasion and Union – The Vikings

English

We will be reading 'How to Train your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell

Non Chronological report on a dragon

Narrative – a quest to overcome a problem

Persuasive leaflet on Chance Island

Maths

Decimals

Percentages

Measurement

Ratio

Algebra

Geometry

Geography

We will be looking at the physical features that made England appealing to the Vikings.

Why don't you think they settled in Bristol?

We will look at ordnance survey maps and use these to answer questions.

We will compare places in relation to their physical features.

History

We will be learning about the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor. Children will learn about Viking runes, settlements, burials and Gods.

Science

We will learn about how living things have changed over time and how offspring are similar to their parents. We will also discover how living things adapt to their habitats.

General

DoodleMaths and TTRockstars

As it is the start of a new year, we would just like to remind you that the children have a target of accessing both DoodleMaths and TTRockstars at least 3 times a week. This can be for as little as 10 minutes at a time. TTRockstars aims to improve children's recall of multiplication and division facts, an important skill across all areas of maths. DoodleMaths is an application which can be used to consolidate learning or introduce a new topic. Teachers will be checking the children's usage at the end of every week and dojos will be awarded to children who reach their target.

Homework

Homework will continue to be set on a Tuesday and is due in the following Tuesday. Please ensure homework is completed on time. It is a valuable activity as it links to work in class and consolidates learning. A reminder also that children should be reading at least 3 times a week and getting their HASP books signed. They should be sent in via Class Dojo every Monday. Children who get their HASP book signed 5 times or more in a week earn a dojo.

Please check the school website regularly for letters, photos and school news.

School Website - www.hanhamabbotsjunior.org.uk

Maths

To help your child at home with their Maths this term, you could practise the following:

- Practise times tables regularly.
- Look at local bus timetables and discuss which ones are quickest/slowest/best to get you to different places.
- Pay for things in shops and work out how much change they should expect.
- Discuss discounts in stores (20% off etc.) how much will each product be now?
- Find, discuss and group different 2D and 3D shapes around the house
- Play maths games such as Sudoku and countdown. (see school website for links)
- Measure different objects around the house, can they find something which is exactly 12.2cm?
- Discuss approximate distances between towns, countries or friends' houses.

English

To help your child at home with their English this term, you could do the following:

- Practise spellings that your child/children finds particularly difficult and year 5/6 spellings which can be found in the partnership book using the techniques taught in school.
- Practise joined, cursive, legible handwriting.
- Listen to your child read at least 3 times a week – if they read 5 times a week they get a dojo! The wider variety of books and vocabulary they are exposed to, the richer their writing will be. Reading more challenging texts to your child that they cannot access themselves is also very beneficial and opens them up to a whole new world of vocabulary!
- Play games such as Bananagrams, scrabble, articulate and boggle with your child to build language.
- Create mythical creatures at home (maybe a dragon?) and write a guide on how to care for it.
- Create lists of rhyming words to build language.
- Write a thank you letter to somebody after Christmas.

