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# A World Apart: Snow & Ice Year 5 Term 4 2024



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## This Term

This term we are stepping into a land of fantasy, starting with Shakespeare's Tempest, then moving into the wonderful texts of Snow Leopard by Jackie Wilson and Arctic Star by Tom Palmer.

## Maths

In Maths, our main focus will continue to be fractions, decimals, and percentages, moving from formal written methods into wordier problems.

We will also be continuing to work hard on our mental arithmetic skills; support with this on Times Tables Rockstars really does have an impact, so support with this at home would be greatly valued.

We will be visiting Aldi in week 2, applying estimating and rounding, using these skills in a real-world context.



## English

In English, we will be looking at Shakespeare's Tempest, following training that we've had from The Shakespeare Company in London, building on previously-taught sentence skills and writing figuratively. This will be followed up by writing formally to the Education Secretary, requesting more Shakespeare in the National Curriculum.

We'll then be moving onto producing our own fantasy narrative based on Snow Leopard.

## Science

In science we will be investigating materials and their properties. We have many exciting experiments lined up and the children will be testing a range of different materials and looking at how they mix, change and separate based on a range of variables. We'll also be testing conductivity, both electrical and heat!



Scan the QR code for some ideas to investigate at home.

## Curriculum



The topics of Anglo Saxons and Vikings feature heavily in the Y5 history curriculum, so we'll be continuing to cover this area in term 4. We'll be studying the raid at Lindisfarne, as well as looking at how the Vikings used to live.

In Art and Design, we'll be continuing to look at making money in the arts, with a special focus on architecture and Norman Foster.

## Reading at Home

Thank you for your continued support in the use of BoomRead to log home reading; it's a powerful app to help with the tracking of reading and the reading interests of our children.

## Key Messages

PE continues to be on a Monday and Tuesday. On Mondays, children are to come dressed in outdoor-appropriate kit, for fitness/circuits. Tuesdays will be dance, delivered by JB sports coaches. After school cooking club will be on Tuesdays, 3-4.

Monday's after school club with JB continues, as does Mr Morley's maths group.

As reading is a core focus in school, children will be expected to read at least four times per week. Children can access Times Tables Rockstars, Doodle Maths and Bedrock at home to develop their independent learning.

