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# CHALONER PRIMARY

## Year 5 Topic Letter



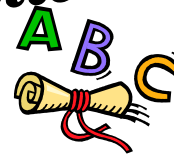
Computing



Literacy



This half-term's topic is:



The Vikings



Numeracy

This half term the children will be covering a range of writing genres including biographies and diary entries. They will first learn the features of the different types of writing, before planning, writing and redrafting their own pieces.

Throughout the term, the children will continue to develop their understanding of basic literacy skills with a particular focus on relative clauses, text-marking and the author's use of language.

Science

This half term the children will learn about '*Changes of Materials*', by exploring and comparing the properties of a broad range of materials.



Through this, they will explore areas such as: evaporating, filtering, sieving, melting and dissolving.

Topic Work

In our topic work, the children will be learning about The Vikings.

After learning about where The Vikings came from and why they raided / settled in Britain, the children will then learn a little more about Viking culture.

They will learn about Viking raids, longships and trade. As part of this topic, the children are also expected to research a Viking topic at home, before creating a presentation to share with their peers in class.

Our main focus this half-term will be fractions, decimals and percentages. They will develop their understanding of equivalent fractions and how to simplify them. They will also continue to develop their understanding of squared, cubed, prime and composite numbers.

In topic maths, we will be revisiting how to calculate the area and perimeter of composite shapes, before using this knowledge to solve problems about missing sides and angles. The children will also solve numerous problems relating to time, reading timetables and applying their knowledge of the 4 operations.

PE and PSHE

In PE, the children will continue with the weekly SkillForce sessions, developing their leadership and First-Aid skills. They will also continue to develop both cricket and athletic skills, in preparation for our forthcoming Cricket and Sports Day events.

In our PSHE sessions we shall be focusing on the topic '*Changes!*'

RE



In our RE sessions, the children will be learning about '*What do Christians believe about God?*'



ART and French



This half-term, the children will complete their Kandinsky-inspired '*compositions*', developing their painting technique and learning to apply a wash to their work.

In our French work, the children will continue to build their vocabulary, focusing on classroom resources, days of the week, months of the year and counting.

Notes:

PE days for Y5AD this half-term are Thursday and Friday afternoons.

Please ensure that your child has a full PE Kit, including trainers that are suitable for use on the school field.

Thank you

