Thakeham Primary School Franklin Class

# Spring Term 2024 King for a Day



At Thakeham we CARE.

# **English**

#### This term our key texts will be:

- Beowulf retold by Michael Morpurgo.
- King Arthur Legends
- The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes
- Macbeth

Our writing will be focused on developing cohesion and a greater understanding of purpose, audience and effectiveness. We will produce writing in the following genres:

- To discuss
- To entertain

## <u>Science</u>

Our topic is 'Properties and changes of material'. We will experiment with:

- Dissolving
- Cooling and heating
- Reversible and irreversible changes
- Soluble and insoluble substances
- Solids, liquids and gases

## We will learn about the scientists:

- Spencer Silver
- Ruth Benerito

# Computing

This term we will be focusing on:

- Programming variables in Scratch with block coding
- Manipulating spreadsheets

# <u>Maths</u>

### Our maths topics this term are:

- Decimals and percentages
- Measure
- Perimeter, area and volume
- Data
- Algebra (Y6)
- Ratio (Y6)
- Angles



We will continue to consolidate and extend our mental maths skills and calculation formal methods and strategies. We will be working both conceptually and procedurally.

When learning something new we encourage the children to use the CPA approach:

Concrete - using objects and equipment

Pictorial - represent their thinking using pictures

Abstract - using numbers and symbols to solve calculations



<u>PE</u>

Monday – Basketball (Autumn 1) Racket Sports (Autumn 2) Thursday – Dance (Autumn 1) Gymnastics (Autumn 2)

# PSHE - Jigsaw

We will be thinking about and discussing our **dreams and goals** and being a **healthy me**.

## **Other highlights**

**History** Our topic 'King for a Day' will uncover the continuation of British history through the eyes of the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings and their invasion and settlements in England. We will consider who was the most vicious and why they settled in Britain.

**Geography** Using mapping skills, we look at the impact of local Anglo-Saxon settlements in Sussex.

**Music** We will be continuing to compose and perform on the recorder during this term, so can the children please keep their recorders in school.

**Art and Design** The children will be developing their sewing skills as they design and make a Saxon money bag.

## Please remember...

#### **English Homework**

- Set on a Monday on Google Classroom.
- Turned in on a Friday on Google Classroom.
- **Reading Diaries** are checked on a **Friday.** Your child should be reading to an adult or independently, at least three times a week.

#### **Maths Homework**

- Set on a Friday on Google Classroom.
- Turned in on a Wednesday on Google Classroom.

## Elder staff



Mrs E Hopkins (Class Teacher) Mrs E Elvery (Learning Support) Mrs J Bowbrick (Learning Support / HLTA) Mrs H Lamb (PE Teacher SGS) Mrs A Hutchings (PE Teacher SGS)

# Key Dates

4/1/24 INSET 6/2/24 Safer Internet Day 12/2/24 Half Term Holiday 22/2/24 Parents' Evening 27/2/24 Parents' Evening 7/3/24 World Book Day 11/3/24 Year 6 KS2 Test Meeting 15/3/24 Red Nose Day 18/3/24 Arts Week – Focus Week 19/3/24 Viking Workshop in school 22/3/24 March Music Festival 2/3/24 Easter Service at Trinity Church 28/3/24 FOTs Easter Fun / End of Term

