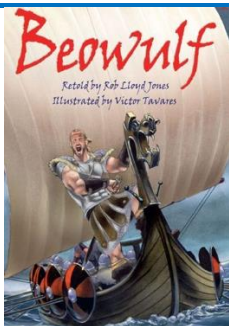




Termly overview: Welcome back! We hope everyone had a lovely break and is looking forward to the run-up to Christmas. We have lots of exciting learning planned for Year 4 and so, in anticipation of the wet and chilly weather, please ensure children have **spare shoes** in school each day to allow outdoor play and learning in all weathers! Please continue to encourage your child to read most days, access Spelling Shed and Times Table Rockstars at least 3x weekly and, if they have a login, Reading Plus to complete 5 books per week. Class Dojo will continue to be our main communication tool for class messages as well as Facebook for photos of what we have been up to! Thanks. *Mrs Thrower and Mr Burge*

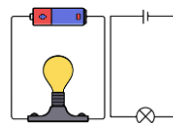


English: We begin by working on our oracy skills and vocabulary by writing and performing our own poems based on 'The Magic Box'. Our next unit is based on the legend of 'Beowulf'. We will be performing speeches in role as the hero and writing our own stories based on the myth.



we watch the adaptation.

Storytime / RfP: We have organised for us to visit The Old School House to watch the endearing tale of 'The Wild Robot' this half-term. Therefore, our class text is focused on reading the book before



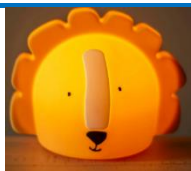
Science: We will investigate how to make simple circuits with wires, bulbs, cells and buzzers by making our own. We will learn the scientific symbols and investigate how to make bulbs brighter before applying our learning to our DT work.



**MULTIPLICATION
DIVISION**

Maths: We will be working on the remaining times-tables this half-term, particularly focusing on the 6x, 7x and 9x

tables. This will then enable us to tackle trickier multiplication and division questions during our maths lessons. In addition, we will be revising the multiplication and division facts linked to some of the 'easier' tables so that all children become completely fluent in them.



DT: We will be using our science work to investigate how to design and make an effective night light for a target audience in DT.



Geography: We will be having a visit from the Rivers Van to teach us about the features of rivers and the animals that live there. Later in the term, we will also be making a short journey to study the River Swale at Grinton – further details to follow shortly.



Music: Our inspiration for this half-term's music is the rodeo-themed classical tune, 'Hoedown', by the American composer Aaron Copland.

We will be responding to the music through dance before going on to develop our own compositions based on it.



History: We will be learning about the lives of Vikings and how they were similar or different to the Anglo-

Saxons. We will look at where they came from, why they settled in Britain and how they influenced our lives today.

PE:

* Tuesday & Thursday*

We will be learning how to play Tag Rugby on Tuesdays - please have spare shoes. On Thursdays, some of us we will be swimming while others will be doing different sports with the older children.



Healthy Me

PSHE: We will be learning about what is meant by a 'healthy lifestyle', how to eat well, allergies, germs and illnesses, medicines and vaccines.

Computing: Computing this half-term will be a lot of fun as the children will be making their own podcasts, combining the skills of scriptwriting, engineering, presenting and editing.

French: Now that the class has mastered some of the basic language you might use when greeting somebody, we will be extending our vocabulary to names of fruits, as well as being able to say what we do, and don't, like.

