

This week in Year 5 we have been:

- Learning how to use descriptive language to engage a reader
- Planning a descriptive poem inspired by 'Hurricane'
- Beginning to interpret timetables
- Using skills obtained in statistics to solve word problems

Next term our topic will be **Anglo Saxons and Vikings**. As part of our topic we shall be:

- Studying the story of **Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo**
- Learning about Saxon invaders, Saxon gods and Saxon settlements
- Learning about the struggle for the kingdom of England between the Anglo Saxons and Vikings

Class Story

In Term 2 our class story for the end of every day is **Freedom for Bron by N.S Blackman**. This book tells the story of Bron, a slave boy, who does the hard work that his master, the village blacksmith, would rather avoid. His reward is a lack of food and cruel jeers from the other children. War is brewing and when a famous Saxon warlord arrives at his village Bron gets a chance to prove that honour and bravery are not only for those born to be warriors.

Homework:

Maths

The children will have a times table test on **Thursday 2nd November**. They have a note in their Reading Record to show which ones they will be tested on.

The children have been given a paper based activity which consolidates their knowledge gained interpreting the information on a timetable - the questions require them to interpret a TV guide. This should be completed and returned to school by **Wednesday 1st November 2017**

Spellings

The children have been set new spellings today to learn for a spelling test on **Friday 3rd November**.

If you fancy a day trip during the half term break why not take a journey along the Viking Coastal Trail which covers 32 miles taking in the coast of Margate, Broadstairs and Ramsgate. The Viking Ship 'Hugin' is on display on the cliff top at Pegwell Bay, Ramsgate. It is replica of a Viking ship which sailed from Denmark to Thanet in 1949 to celebrate the 1500th anniversary of the invasion of Britain.

Whatever you are doing we hope you have an enjoyable break and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER**.

Mrs Culver and The Year 5 Teaching Team