

Welcome back! We hope you have all had an enjoyable half term.

We would like to welcome Miss Baker to Year 5 she has settled in well to our way of working and none of the questions she has asked have been 'silly' (something she was a little worried about). We would also like to thank Miss Borja for her commitment to the class and in particular in her organisation of Parents' meetings next week.

This week in Year 5 we have been:

- Beginning to study the text 'Beowulf' as part of our English lessons
- Begun using colons and semi-colons effectively in our writing
- Identified multiples, factors and common factors in our maths lessons
- Designed and started to program a character game using Scratch
- Learning about how and why Britain was invaded by Saxon invaders

Next week we will be:

- Writing a description of Grendel's lair
- Interviewing candidates for the job of 'Beowulf - hero to the Danes'
- Recognising prime numbers, square numbers and cubed numbers
- Focusing our afternoon lessons on our PSHE topic of 'Keeping Healthy'

#### **Food Diary:**

To support the afternoon sessions next week it would be helpful if the children could keep a food diary over the weekend and continue this into next week. This will be used in some lessons next week where the children will be evaluating their own eating patterns and food choices.

#### **Homework:**

##### *Maths*

The children will have a times table test on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 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 when finding factors. This should be completed and returned to school by **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

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##### *Spellings*

The children have been set new spellings today to learn for a spelling test on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November**.

Mrs Culver and The Year 5 Teaching Team