

# Steeton Primary School

## UKS2 Spring 1 Vikings



#### **Magic Monday**

This term in art, Year 5/6 will be creating a striking picture of a Viking longboat at sea. Children will explore a range of watercolour techniques to add texture and movement to the ocean, including using bubble wrap and cling film to create exciting wave effects. They will then draw the longboat using charcoal, carefully thinking about proportion and how to use positive and negative space to make their ship stand out against the background.



#### **Vikings**

In History and Geography this term, Year 5/6 will be learning about the Vikings and their impact on Britain. Children will explore who the Vikings were, where they came from and why they travelled and settled in different parts of the world. They will learn about Viking raids, settlements and daily life, as well as the importance of longships and trade. Using maps and timelines, pupils will develop their understanding of Viking chronology and geography, including how Viking movement shaped life in Britain during this period.

#### **English**

In English this term, Year 5/6 will be watching the short animation Mega City, following busker Jack and his dog, Harry, as they try to spread joy in a dull, fast-paced city. The clip is full of atmosphere and emotion and will inspire the children to write their own heartfelt narratives. A new term also means brand-new books on our reading scheme — exciting times for our readers.

#### Science

In science, we'll be exploring evolution and inheritance! The children will learn how traits are passed from parents to their offspring and how living things can adapt to survive in different environments. They will investigate variation between individuals and discover how fossils give clues about life in the past. This will help them understand the amazing diversity of plants and animals we set today.

#### <u>Dates For Your Diary:</u>

**6.1.26** KS2 Music Concert **9.1.26** Y6 parents RSE info session 9-10am.

16.1.26 NSPCC assembly

19.1.26 KS2 VR Day

**10.2.26** Safer Internet Day workshop

11.2.26 Valentines Disco 4:30pm

### Other information:

- Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram @steetonprimary
- Forest School dates will be rebooked as soon as the weather has improved and it is safe to do so.
- Ash class are collecting old newspapers for Magic Monday
- PE dates are the same as last term.
  Silver Birch on Thursdays and Ash and Holly on Wednesdays. Please wear full PE kit and trainers.