Mansbridge Primary School

Lions Curriculum Newsletter - September 2026



PE: Tuesday and Friday (Please have appropriate footwear and a set of warm clothes that does not have a hood)

Library visit: Thursday **Reading folder: Please bring these in everyday** (Changed on Monday)

Times tables Test: Friday

English

This half term, we will be using the story Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo. Our writing will be inspired by this and we will be creating an additional battle scene. We will also be linking to our history topic - Anglo Saxons - by writing a Newspaper Article about Sutton Hoo.
Through this will be looking at how to change our writing to suit different audiences (for example KS2 children or adult newspaper readers).
Help your child be a writer by: Explaining the differences between language in news reports (formal) and everyday life (casual/informal).

History

This half term, we will be studying the Anglo Saxons, focusing on the invasions and kingdoms of Anglo Saxon Britain. We will also be learning about Anglo Saxon life, by exploring artefacts, comparing to topics we have previously learnt about and looking into the Anglo Saxons' religious beliefs.
Help your child be a Historian by:
Encouraging them to compare historical life to modern day life, thinking about the differences and similarities.
Talking about how far back in time particular events happened.

Mathematics

This half term we will be studying place value and we will look at rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000, comparing 4-digit numbers and beginning to learn about negative numbers. We will also be adding and subtracting 4-digit numbers.
Help your child be a Mathematician by:
Practising adding and subtracting mentally.
Encouraging them to practise their times tables on the Times Tables Rock Stars app.

Physical Education

In PE we will be learning yoga. We will be learning different postures, breathing exercises and meditation techniques to improve our overall health. We will also be learning about the rules, skills and techniques for badminton.

Computing

Our focus in computing will be collaborative learning. We will be using computers more purposefully and use software tools to create collaborative pieces as a class.

PSHCE

Our focus in PSCHE will be having a healthy lifestyle physically, emotionally, and mentally and understanding how to make informed choices about our health.

RE

In RE we will be focusing on the concept of choices. We will be comparing this to Christianity, specifically, the story of Adam and Eve.

Art

In Art we will be looking at the patterns and shapes used by Anglo Saxons and creating our own Anglo-Saxon prints.

Science

Our focus in science will be on living things. We will be learning how to classify and group animals, looking at classification keys and thinking about why this is important. We will be identifying various habitats and the reasons why animals choose these as well as considering the threats to habitats, in both the local and wider communities.