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**Careers Week**

Our careers week is **W/B 10.2.25**. We are looking for volunteers to come to school and share with the children all about their job. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the school office.

**PE**

Our PE is on a **Friday.** Please come to school dressed in your full kit: black jogging bottoms and hoody top with a house colour t-shirt. Make sure that your water bottle is brought in and full especially on PE days. We also have swimming on a **Wednesday**, so please ensure a towel and swimming costume are brought.

**Important Dates**

**23.1.25 –** Census Day

**24.1.25** – Geography Showcase

**W/B 3.2.25** – Children’s Mental Health Week

**7.2.25 –**Safer Internet Day

**W/B 10.2.25** – Careers Week

**14.2.25 -** End of half-term

**24.2.25** – School re-opens

**W/B 10.3.25** – British Science Week

**26.3.25** – Parents Evening

**28.3.25** – Mother’s Day Shop

**4.4.25** – Easter Egg Hunt

**4.4.25** – End of Spring Term

**Family Breakfast**

**W/B 10.2.25** – Careers Week

Dates for Family Breakfast in Spring 2 to be confirmed.

**Spring Curriculum**

In Spring, Year 5 will be studying the Vikings and exploring how the power regions changed during the Dark Ages. We will also discover what life was like in Anglo-Saxon England and learning about significant figures like Alfred the Great.



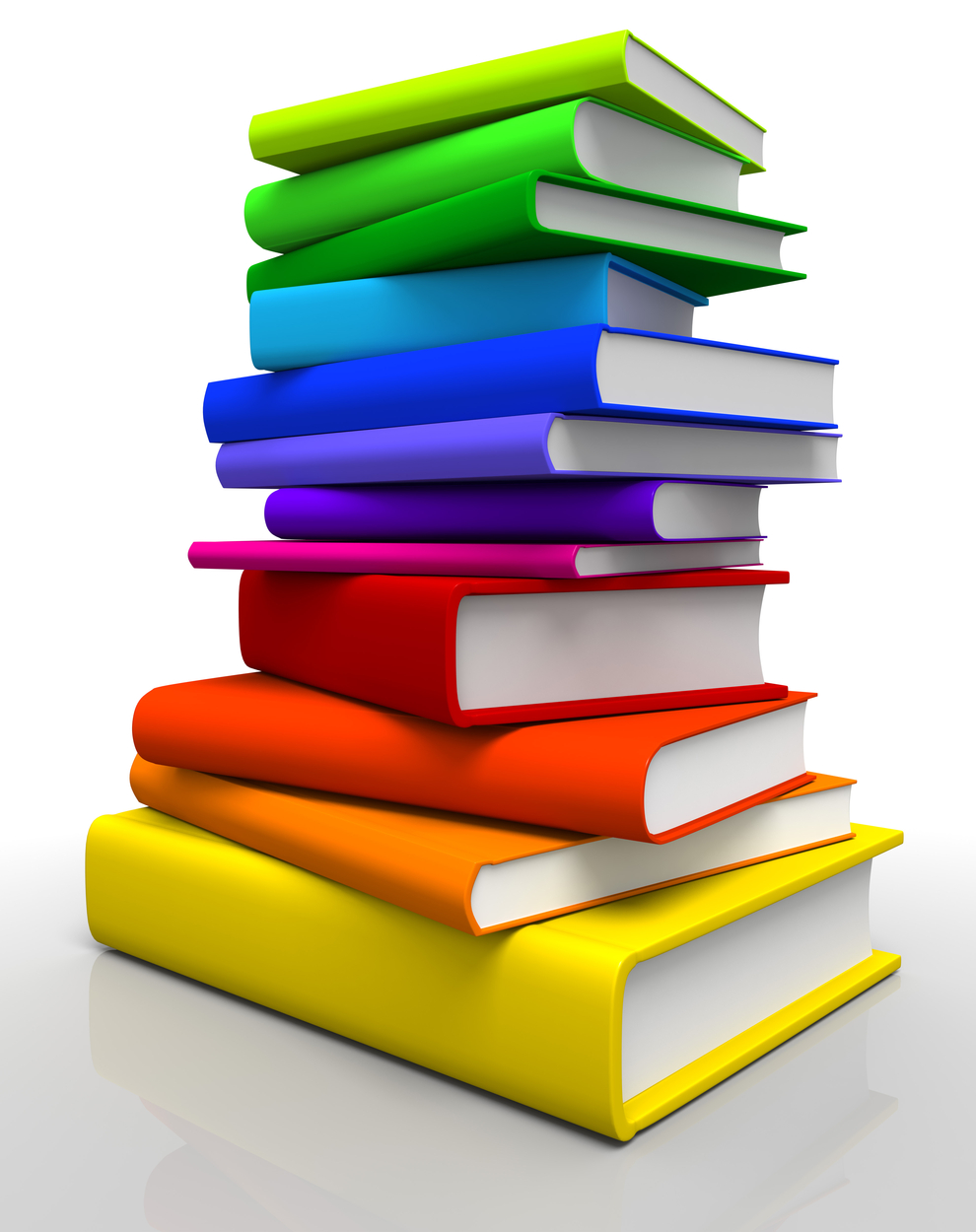
In Science, we will be investigating forces and properties of materials. We will be testing if we can clean dirty water. In Geography, we will be exploring how Norway has become one of the most sustainable countries in the world and what it means to be sustainable.

**Reading**

At Clayton Village, we want all children to be readers and it is a value we encourage. Not only for academics but more for joy and escapism from the everyday world.

We encourage all of our children to become avid readers and read at home frequently. They do not need to read aloud to an adult but you are encouraged to ask your child questions about what they have read. This year, to encourage reading your child has been provided with a reading journal: it is for them to present reflections/ reviews on the book they have been reading.

We will also be visiting the newly revamped library fortnightly so your child will have another opportunity to select a book.



We would also like you to promote the use of **Emile** at home. This is a free app that the school subscribes to and help practice key skills in maths, reading and grammar.

**Water Bottles**

Children are encouraged to bring water bottles to school as it is important that we are hydrated so we can work and be focused fully. Children are not to bring water bottles with spray functions on them.

These will be stored by the sink and children will be encouraged to drink these at playtime and lunchtime. If a child requires a drink during a lesson, it is the teacher’s discretion to find a suitable time.



**Miss Wells-Bower & Mrs Brown**

Year 5- Ada Lovelace

Welcome back to another term in Year 5! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break and are ready to come back learning.

Visit the School Website for this term’s medium term plan and updates of our learning. We also have our twitter page!