



Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Hello again Year 5! We hope that you are all well. It seems very strange that it's been 8 weeks since we last saw you. It has been lovely to receive pictures of your work over the last few weeks and we're very proud of how well you're adapting to working at home.

Did you work out the riddle in our last newsletter?  
*What's always in front of you but can never be seen?*

The future!

What about this one:

*Where can you find cities, towns, shops and streets but no people?* Hint: Think Geography

### Hello from Miss Attenborough!

How are we all doing? I don't know about you, but some days I wake up and think I'm getting used to my new routine and other days I feel very strange. I feel very lucky when I get to go into school to see some of you and it always cheers me up when I see you sending your work into me online. Getting the chance to read in the sunshine still feels like a treat and now I have more time to cook in the evening I've been trying new recipes. After putting it off for 6 weeks, I've finally started to give the cupboards a clear out and have found some interesting bits and bobs! Can you guess who the fashionista is in these photos? Take care and I hope to speak to you soon ☺



### Hello from Mrs Gandon!

Hello everyone. How are you all? Keeping safe and well, I hope. We're still okay in the Gandon household, keeping ourselves busy with school work, gardening and household chores, bike rides and spending time in the garden on sunny days, although we are definitely missing the company of our friends and family, and I am especially missing you all. Miss Attenborough and I must be telepathically attuned, as I have spent the past week organising my photo collection as well. I love taking pictures with my camera and I had hundreds of digital photos and videos from the past two years to catalogue. It's one of those jobs that always makes my to-do list, but never gets done, so it's been lovely to reminisce about family holidays or special occasions that have been captured on film. It's also made me look forward to enjoying more special times and making happy memories in the future. Take care and hope to see you soon.



Picture shows me and my sister-in-law at my 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday party

### Hello from Mr Smith!

Hello again, everyone! I hope you and your families are doing well. It seems strange doesn't it? Another two weeks has been and gone! A new element to my routine that has cheered me up is being able to see some of your written work in your books that your adults have been emailing in. You've been working incredibly hard and should be really proud. I've been trying to learn how to play the guitar after getting one for Christmas – I'm finding it trickier than playing piano but hopefully with practise, I'll get there. Take care and speak to you again soon ☺



I tried to find a photo of me in Year 5, but couldn't find one. This is me in Year 6!

## Busy Brain?

There's probably a lot on your mind at the moment and that is very normal. Lots has changed and the adults don't always have the answers to your questions which can be frustrating and worrying. It's important to take care of your mind and give it lots of regular rests.

If you need a few minutes out to calm down, try this grounding exercise. Or, why not try a guided relaxation on YouTube. This is one of our favourites:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZBnPlqQFPKs>



## Your Writing

We have created a [Planning Your Story](#) and [Writing Your Story 1](#) Guidance Page to help you start to write your own Beowulf story with YOUR monster from the previous trail. Make sure you look at these carefully. For this Trail, we have asked you to only focus on the first two sections (**opening** and **build-up**) so you can focus on your descriptions in these sections. We suggest you spend a couple of days looking at each of these as we would have done this at school so you can make each section the best you can. We think you will all have some really good ideas and some fantastic descriptions – spending time on each section will help you. Try to challenge yourself with how you are writing it and we look forward to reading the start of some amazing tales!

## Maths

We are moving on to looking at how we measure objects, how we convert units of measure and time. This is something you can get lots of practice of at home. The guidance pages that we have uploaded to the school website have links to videos to help you with each of the topics and some examples of working out. Unfortunately the Olympics have been postponed this year, but why not try this Olympic challenge to practice your accurate measuring?

<https://nrich.maths.org/8170>

## Anglo-Saxon Food

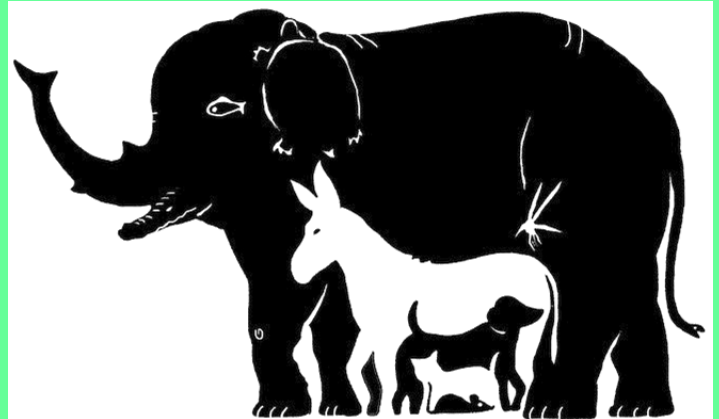
In your new Unexpected Adventure Trail we will be looking at Anglo-Saxon farming and what they ate. How different would your meals be if you were living in the Anglo-Saxon times? Would you still be able to eat your favourite foods?

This website has some information on the Anglo-Saxon's typical diet and a recipe for *Anglo-Saxon Pottage*. Would you be happy with this for your dinner?

<http://www.picturebritain.com/2012/10/whatdidtheanglo-saxonseat.html>

## Brain Teaser

How many different animals can you spot in the image below?



## Plant Update!

The plants are growing really well – it may be time soon to re-plant them into even bigger pots! You might be able to guess what Plant B is! As the others haven't changed lots, I thought I would give you some clues...

*One of the plants grows the edible item on a vine, but is not a grape*

*One of the plants produces something underground which is eaten*

*One of the plants produces leaves which are eaten*

Can you work out which of the plants each clue is talking about?



Plant A



Plant B



Plant C