# Year 6 Autumn Newsletter

Year 6 is an exciting year and we have lots of wonderful things planned to ensure that your child's last year at primary school is a year they will remember.

## **Big Idea**

Our first Big Idea – a book study on Phillip Pullman's *Clockwork* – provided us with a great start to the year and we will be finishing the first half term by answering the question 'What was life like in Viking York?' Our latest Big Idea will culminate in an exhibition put on in the Year 6 classrooms. This will be on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and will finish at 4pm. Children are encouraged to dress up Viking-style on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>, but dressing up is not obligatory.

### Trip to Jorvik

Our trip to Jorvik Viking Centre and DIG was a huge success. The children learned a great deal and represented the school brilliantly. We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to our parent helpers; it is your support that makes trips like this possible.

#### Homework

Spelling and Maths homework will be sent home on a Friday and will be due in on the following Friday. Children will have spellings to learn and spelling exercises to do. Maths homework will reflect our focus on mental calculations and times-tables.

#### Learning at home

All Year 6 children have a login to 'Times Table Rock Stars', 'Number Gym' and 'My Maths'. These excellent online resources are designed to help your child learn their times tables and key Mathematical skills. They are all accessible from home.

## P.E.

Our P.E. lessons will be on a Tuesday and a Thursday. However, children should ensure they have their kit in school at all times. Kits can be taken home on a Friday. Please note that earrings cannot be worn. If there are any concerns about this, come and let us know.

We are really looking forward to a fantastic year!

The Year 6 Team