



Welcome
to Term 4
in Violet
Class!

Our first
topic in Year
5 is "Fortify
and Defend"

English

This term, we will be reading Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo. We will be writing a character description of Grendel, a letter from Hrothgar to Beowulf expressing contrasting feelings, and our own story in the style of Beowulf.

Following our trip to Dover Castle, we will be writing our own tour guides of The Keep and defenses of Dover Castle. We will then return to Dover Castle so we can deliver our guided tour to parents and family.

Please encourage your children to read regularly throughout the week. We are continuing with our R.O.W (Read on Wednesdays) and would love as many children as possible to get involved.

Maths

Continuing our journey through maths this year, term 4 will see us tackling fractions. We will learn to identify and write equivalent fractions, recognise mixed and improper fractions, and we'll learn how to add and subtract fractions including mixed numbers.

Our topic maths for this term is based around position and direction. We will be revisiting our knowledge on shapes and angles, learning how to identify the position of a shape following a translation.

Please ensure your child is using Times Tables Rockstars as much as possible to help them improve their rapid recall.

Creative Curriculum

This term we are staying local. We will be learning about the defense and fortifications in our local area, dating back to 1066, and how they have changed over time.

In Science, we will learn how some mechanisms, including pulleys, levers and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. We will use this knowledge to design and build a working catapult.

If you have any questions, worries or concerns and would like to speak to us we will be available most afternoons at the end of the school day. You can also contact us through the class email: violetclass@vale-view.kent.sch.uk

Thank you,

Miss Mould and Mrs Moore