



# Class Portugal Termly Newsletter

## Autumn Term 2018



### Class News

We hope that you all had a lovely summer. Welcome to Class Portugal, who are busy settling into life as Year 4 and 5- getting to know more about each other and our class identity. From Monday to Friday, Mrs Hiorns will teach the class with Mrs Archer adding her valuable support during the mornings. Mrs Dillon will teach the class to cover PPA time on Tuesday afternoon and Mrs Green will teach the class on a Friday afternoon. If you have any problems, please speak to us before or after school. We always welcome voluntary help, so please speak to Mr Eden if you could spare some time to help with our class. Also, if you or your relatives or friends have visited Portugal and would like to share this with the class, please let us know. Alternatively, if you have any books or artefacts connected with Portugal or the Anglo-Saxons, we'd love to borrow them!

### PE

Our PE lessons will be on Monday (Dance) and Wednesday (Football). Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit including footwear. When the weather gets colder, children will need tracksuit bottoms, leggings and sweatshirts for outdoor PE.

### Reading Records

Please read regularly with your child; filling in their reading records. Up to date reading records will be rewarded with team points. This term we will be focussing on explaining why we are enjoying a book.

We hope you find this information useful. We will be available on the playground before and after school each day. Please do not hesitate to catch us if you have any questions. Best Wishes, Class Portugal Team

### Curriculum Areas & Timetabling

Each morning, we will split into single year groups for English and Maths from 9.10am until 12pm. Year 4 will work in Class Portugal with Mrs Hiorns & Mrs Archer, while Year 5 will work in Class Russia with Mrs Woods and Mrs Dillon. For the rest of the day, we will develop our skills and understanding in the other curriculum areas (please see the attached Curriculum Map for more information). Our class novel, "The Buried Crown" by Ally Sherrick will take us on an exciting journey from World War 2 to Anglo-Saxon Times and we are excited to see how our learning unfolds.

### Homework

English or Maths homework will be handed out each Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. If children are unable to do part of their homework, it is better that they bring in what they have done, so that we can go over any problem areas. We will have a weekly focus on times tables and spelling patterns and rules. Each term we will also set a research project based around our termly theme.