

**Year 6 - Autumn 2**  
**Home Learning**  
**Activities**

In Upper School, your child has three weekly home learning tasks:  
reading, times tables and spelling.

**THE**  
**SPACE**  
**RACE!**



To move up on The Space Race, your child will need to read three times a week and record what they have read in their reading diary alongside a parent signature.

**Spelling Shed** 

**TIMES TABLES**  
**ROCKSTARS**

Weekly home learning will be set for your child to complete on Spelling Shed and TTRS every Monday. Spelling Shed and TTRS home learning needs to be completed by Sunday evening.

**Spelling**

**Born To Survive**

**Year 6**  
**Autumn Term 2**  
**Learning Unit Booklet**



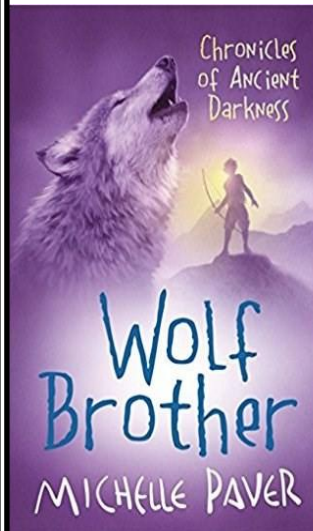
## HOOK

*Six thousand years ago. Evil stalks the land. Only twelve-year-old Torak and his wolf-cub companion can defeat it. Their journey together takes them through deep forests, across giant glaciers, and into dangers they never imagined.*

Our topic is based on the gripping adventure of Torak and Wolf as they battle to save their prehistoric world, told by Michelle Paver in 'Wolf Brother'.

Following an initial taste of the opening chapters of the story, Year 6 will be taken on an exciting morning, including orienteering, learning wolf language and exploring the obstacles on Torak's quest.

## Rich Read



## Learning Experiences

- **Hook** - survival skills, orienteering, studying a wolf's translation, using inference skills to find out more about our main characters and carefully plotting a journey.
- **English**- studying thoughts and emotions, experiencing setting descriptions, describing settings, writing in role and hot seating.
- **Computing** - planning and programming a game.
- **Science** - classifying living things, creating questions, answering questions, using scientific equipment to measure heart rate before and after exercise and studying the human circulatory system.
- **Geography** - use atlases to discover climate zones and biomes of different countries.
- **Osmington Bay and Activities Week** - facing challenges and enjoying new experiences.

## Main Focus

The children will learn about the art of survival in the outdoor environment, how species adapt to survive in their environment and how to overcome challenges in a 'survival' situation.

The topic will focus upon:

- **English:** where the children will study the characters, setting descriptions and journey of Torak and Wolf. They will then write their own survival journey through woods, mountains and rivers.
- **Science:** where the children will learn to classify vertebrates and invertebrates, with a focus on invertebrates. The children will study the human circulatory system and learn to measure heart rate before and after exercise.
- **Geography:** where the children will learn about different climates and how they are affected by hemisphere and latitude. They will then go on to explore the climate in The Rockies.
- **Computing:** where the children will plan and then create a maze, through Scratch, for the demon bear to pass through.
- **PSHE (not linked to the topic):** where the children will look at what creates healthy relationships
- **RE (not linked to the topic):** where children will understand the concept of 'Prophecy.'



## Topic Words

survive	journey	quest
mountain	capture	clan sacrifice
communicate	spirit	obstacle
adventure	Torak	

## Outcome

The children will write an adventure quest story in which their main character must use their 'survival' knowledge to overcome various obstacles.

Year 6 will then share these with Year 5 around a campfire whilst enjoying delicious hot chocolate - a campfire staple!

If your child enjoyed the rich read, they may enjoy reading these books:

