

28th of August, 2020



Calendar

September

October 12th-27th, Half Term

December

16th, end of term, School festival

January

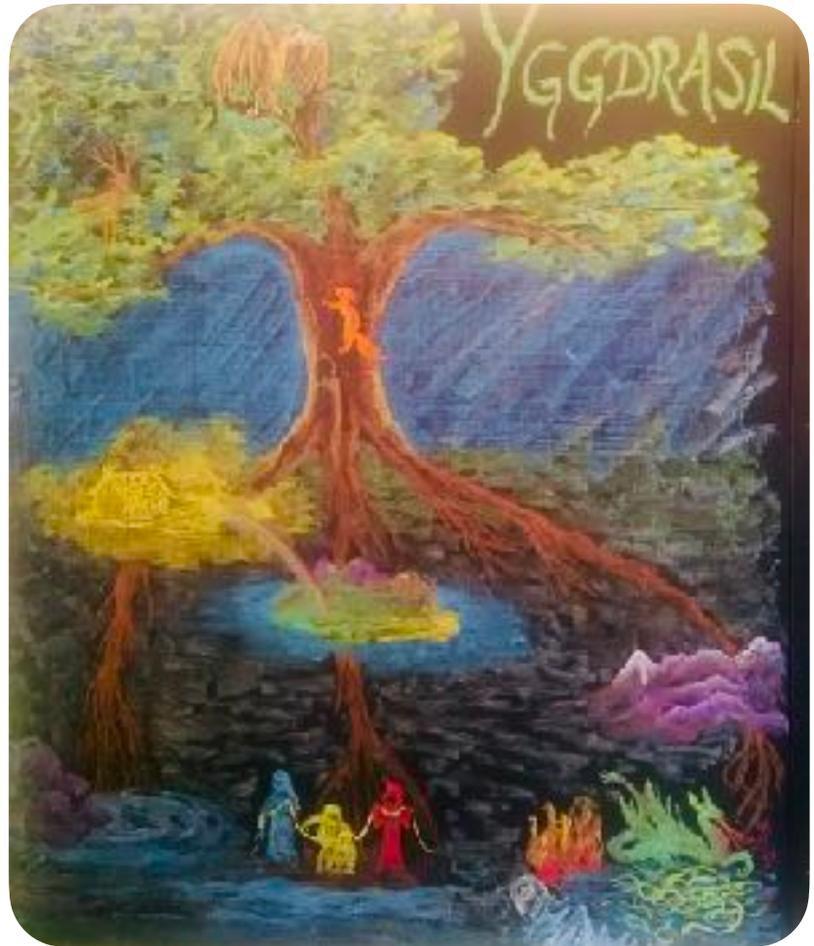
6th Start of Term

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If you have a contribution please send to:
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by Thursday 6pm please



Blackboard drawing from Class 4&5 introducing Yggdrasil, the World Tree, as part of their Norse Myths main lesson block

In A Nutshell...

Is there an area of the curriculum that you'd like to understand more? Do you have general questions about this education? If so, send them here and we'll see what conversations we can get going...let's learn together

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From The Classrooms

Class 4-5 has returned to school full of characteristic energy and enthusiasm. It really is a delight to have everyone back in school again - and a few welcome new faces too!

After starting the day with record-breaking skipping with two ropes, the class has turned its attention to the *Myths of the Norsemen*. After hearing how King Gylfi was deprived of a large part of his kingdom by the mysterious and powerful Gefuin and her four black bulls, we heard about the creation myths and the World Tree. By one of the roots of Yggdrasil dwell the three wise Norns, weaving together the past, present and future to create the web of destiny. As well as leading us into our grammar work on parts of speech and the tenses, they have become central to larger questions about which is most powerful: the past, present or future... All answers are welcome!



At the beginning, there was a huge void called *Ginnungagap*.
It was bordered by an icy realm called *Niflheim*.
Parts of the giant *Ymir* were used to make the world.

the Norns and Tenses
The eagle used to watch. ✓
The eagle will watch. ✓
The eagle is watching. ✓
Nidhogg used to spit. ✓
Nidhogg will spit. ✓
Nidhogg is spitting. ✓

Class 4&5 Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00	M	A	I	N	L
9:30	S	A	S	S	O
10:00	Handwork	Maths	English	Music	Modeling
10:30	Maths	English	Art	French	Physical
11:00	L	U	V	C	H
11:30	Science	Quizzes	PE	Reading	Topic
12:00	Chats	Games	PE	Reading	Topic

The Norns of Yggdrasil

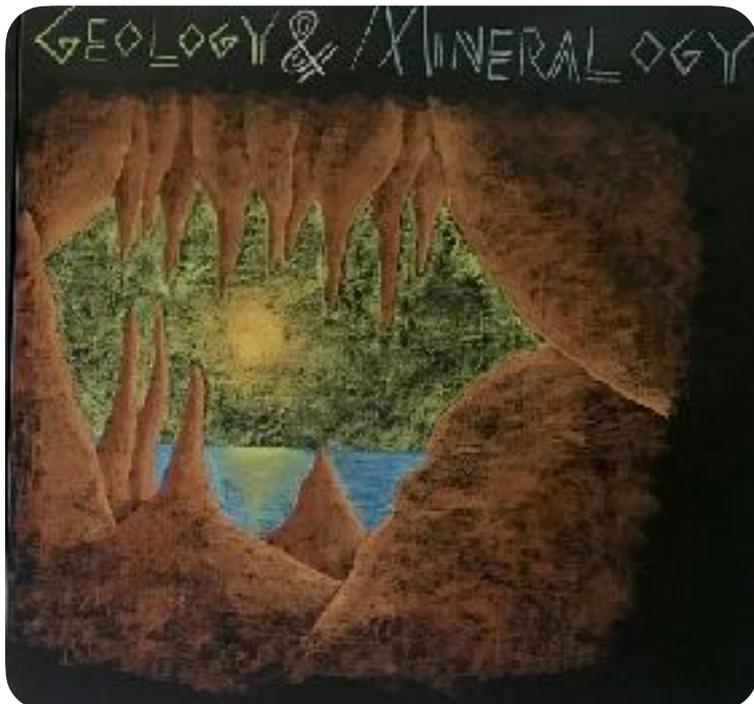


Class 6/7

Class 6&7 are delighted to be back and are full of enthusiasm for the new school year.

Our first Main Lesson is Geology and Mineralogy.

The children are hungry to use their developing intellectual capacity, and this block meets this need beautifully.



Upper School

The Upper School have been maintaining the school's handmade canoes prior to them being used on our outdoor activity day. Canoeing, as an upper school activity, offers practise in the core skills and values that we wish to develop in our students. These include resilience, taking responsibility and appreciation of the natural environment.

More photos to follow!



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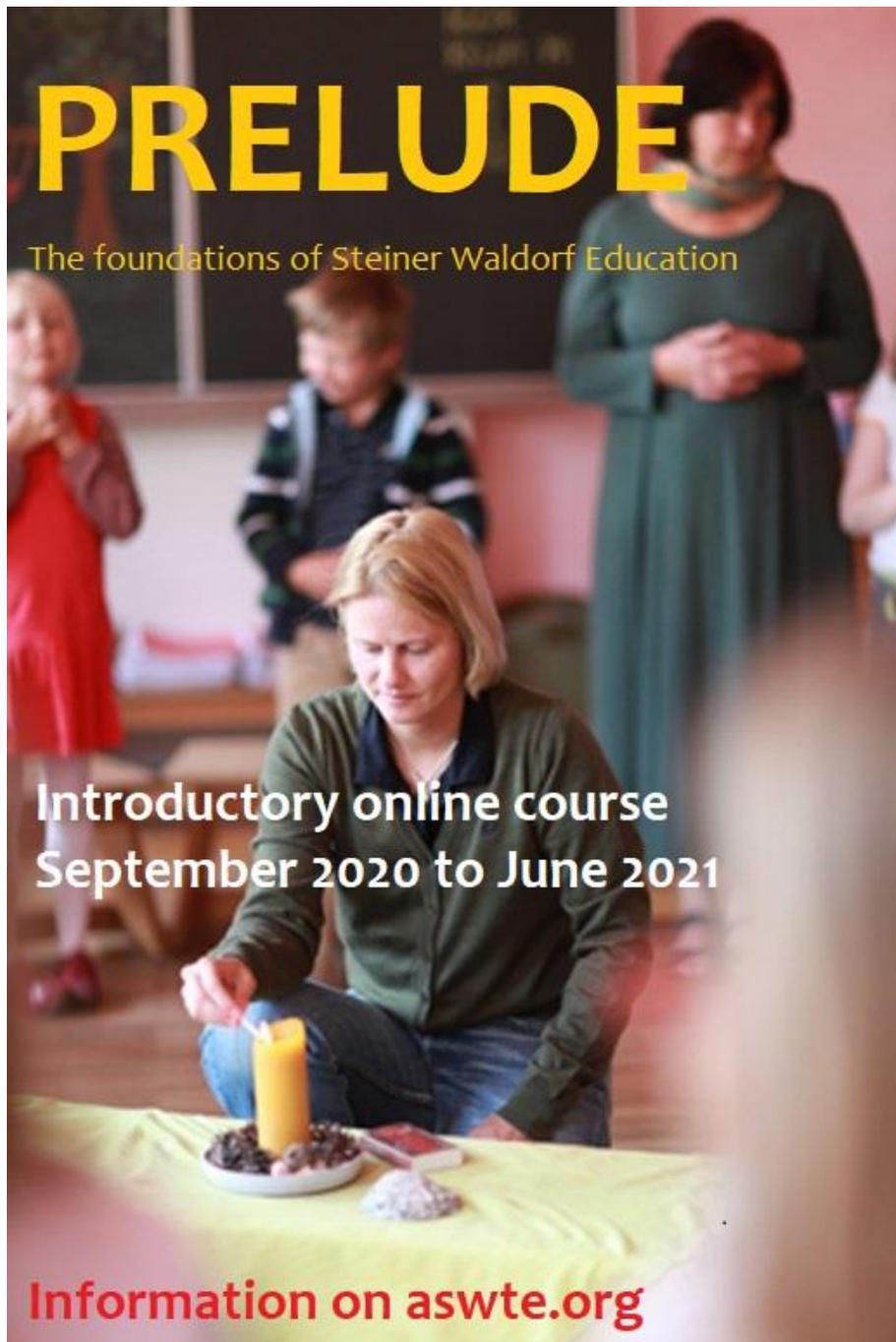


Our very own Rayne Gadalla, Parent of Class 3, is taking part in the Concern Ration Challenge, from the 13-19th of September. Rayne is doing this to raise funds and awareness. She writes,

"I am taking part in the Ration Challenge and eating the same food as a Syrian refugee for one week. Will you sponsor me?" The ration pack includes rice (420g) lentils (170g) dried chickpeas (85g) 1 can of tinned sardines (120g) a tin of red kidney beans (400g) and vegetable oil (330ml) plus a small portion of flour and extra rice equivalent to UN top ups. Drinking only water

Funds go towards medical treatment emergency food and also training programmes

<https://www.rationchallenge.org.uk/rayne-gadalla>



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