



Introduction to our topic

In this topic we will be finding out about the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will be focusing on answering four main questions;

What happened to Britain when the Romans left?

How well did the Saxons and Vikings get on with each other?

Was life better in Anglo Saxon or Roman Britain?

What did the Anglo Saxons and Vikings leave behind and what is their legacy for us today?

Our key learning this term

Personal and social development	Independence - The children will begin to recognise who to trust and who not to trust (as a friend) and how to judge when a friendship is making you feel unhappy or uncomfortable. We will also be discussing the importance of self-respect and how this links to their own happiness.
Technology	This term, the children will develop the use of presentation software . By the end of the term they will have created presentations where they set the theme, use slide transitions, animate objects onto the slides, create hyperlinks and add audio.
Science	States of Matter - We will be exploring the differences between solids, liquids, gases and how different materials can change state. There will be lots of opportunity to take part in practical experiments to help them understand the processes of evaporation and condensation, the water cycle as well as having the chance to express their understanding in a variety of ways.
The Arts (Art & Design, Music, Drama)	Art - The children will explore Viking art and design. They will focus on improving their sketching and shading techniques by sketching fierce Viking warriors, creating their own Viking jewellery and drawing Viking Knots. Design - We will be researching, designing and making Viking Longboats. Music - We will be singing and performing Viking chants
Humanities (RE, History, Geography)	RE - This term, our focus is 'The Life and the Teaching of Jesus.' This unit of learning explores aspects of the person, life and teaching of Jesus and how they relate to Christian life, practices, celebrations and the pattern of Christian festivals History - In this topic the children will learn about who the Vikings and Saxons were and why they came to England, aspects of their daily life such as village life, clothing, religion, the Viking's and Saxon's Army, famous leaders, famous stories and the archaeological finds at Sutton Hoo.
P.E.	Swimming - We will be continuing to gain confidence in the water and develop different swimming strokes. Gymnastics - The children will perform a variety of floor and vault moves. They will learn jumps and leaps, rolls, vaulting, handstands and cartwheels, linking movements and choreograph their own routine.
Modern Foreign Language this term	French - We will be asking and answering the question 'What do you like to eat?'
English	Text level - We will be reading and then learning to tell (off by heart) a shortened version of the Anglo-Saxon Legend - Beowulf. We will write our own legend themed stories. Our non-fiction focus will be explanation texts. We will finish the term by watching and then creating our own adverts for Christmas.
Maths	Addition and Subtraction - We will continue to add and subtract 3- or 4-digit numbers and begin to solve addition and subtraction problems. Multiplication and Division - For the final few weeks of term the children will apply their knowledge of times tables by looking at related calculations and efficient multiplication. Year 4 will also look at how place value is affected when multiplying and dividing by multiples of 10.

Activity Passport Experiences

This term we will have an opportunity to...

- ✓ Light a candle
- ✓ Perform in a play