



Year: 5

Term: Spring 2



Vikings, Scots and Anglo-Saxons

Theme Overview

Throughout this topic we will teach Year 5 all about the Viking, Scots and Anglo-Saxon eras. This topic begins and ends with invasion- from the devastating Viking attack on the church of St Cuthbert in 793 at Lindisfarne, to the Battle of Hastings in 1066. The children will explore Sutton Hoo (Viking burial site), make connections between the Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Scots and Vikings, research the reasons why the Vikings invaded Britain in the first place and how this historic era of rapid change came to a violent end.

HISTORY

Finding out about Viking settlements
(Using maps and place names)

Why did the Vikings raid?

How has this influenced Britain?

Alfred the Great

Explore Runes and translate them to English

What happened to Sutton Hoo? –
Virtual tour of the British Museum

How did Anglo-Saxon culture shape
the Western world as it is today?
Explore key questions such as:

How and when did the invaders
become Christians?

Were there any major differences
between the Anglo-Saxon and
Viking invaders?

What can archaeology tell us about
the invaders?

HOOK INTO LEARNING

Virtual Tour of Sutton Hoo



TOPIC FINALE

Viking Workshop

COMPUTING

Concept mapping- using
information from topic lessons on
Vikings.

SCIENCE

SPACE!

Hands-investigation to help
understand the phases of the
moon and lunar orbit.

Identifying planets and their
orbits

Using a Newton scale to
measure force.

Applying skills to experiment
with force and impact craters.

Build sun dials to understand the
movement of the sun

PE

Tennis

MATHS

Multiplying fractions, fractions of
amounts

Adding and subtracting decimals,
working with thousandths,
fractions as percentages

French

Telling the time

ENGLISH

'Wild' by Emily Hughes –
persuasive writing, diary writing

'Town is by the Sea' by Joanne
Schwartz – narrative writing,
diary writing, setting
descriptions

D&T

Create a Viking Longboat from
cardboard, fabric and string
with linkages

PSHE

Physical and emotional changes
in puberty