



Year: 5

Term: Spring 2



Vikings and Anglo-Saxons

Theme Overview

Throughout this exciting topic we will teach Year 5 all about the Viking and Anglo-Saxon era. 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, a Viking burial site, create moving longships using linkages and make Viking bread, comparing with ingredients that would be used across the western world as we now know it. We will end the topic with a visit from 'History off the page' and a sea shanty to perform to parents!

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?

HOOK INTO LEARNING

Virtual Tour of Sutton Hoo



TOPIC FINALE

History off the page- Friday 6th May 2022

Sea Shanty Showdown: write own Viking themed lyrics to match a sea shanty tune.

COMPUTING

Concept mapping- using information from topic lessons on Vikings.

SCIENCE

Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object.

Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces.

Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

PE

Ball skills and ball games, including basketball

ENGLISH

The Viewer by Shaun Tan- write a character narrative influenced by the text. .

Way Home- Writing in role as a character from the story, writing a short story influenced by the text.

MATHS

Decimals and percentages- working up to two decimal places, understanding thousandths as decimals, using percentages as fractions and decimals.

RE

Why did Pagan Vikings convert to Christianity?

D&T

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

Create a Viking shield from cardboard and string

PSHE Physical and emotional changes in puberty