

Homework:

Homework this year will be based on reading, times tables/maths and spellings weekly with an Invaders and Settlers Project set later on in the term. Specific homework details will follow.

Trips:

A trip to explore this topic is currently being organised. We will let you know more details soon.

Other events:

We are looking forward to seeing you at a number of events this term from class and whole school liturgies and open afternoons. Please see the newsletter and class homework/events chart for more details.

Help in Class:

If you are able to help out in class either with hearing readers, times tables, help with arts/crafts or trips, please let me know. If you have any books or artefacts that would help us this term, then please bring them in.



The Vikings are coming to Year 4!

We will be studying Invaders and Settlers this term, starting with the 'Vicious' Vikings, discovering why they invaded Britain. We will basing lots of our work in class around the book: 'How to Train Your Dragon.'



Year 4

Autumn 2018

English

We are linking our English work to our Invaders and Settlers topic this term, exploring a range of exciting fiction, poetry and non-fiction writing opportunities. We will begin by visiting the imaginary world of dragons, looking at the book and film of 'How to Train Your Dragon,' before learning about Viking gods. The Year 4 curriculum will be followed throughout the term.

RE

Children will learn about religious stories and make links between beliefs and actions. Topic covered include: Creation, Sacraments, Advent and Christmas. We will also focus on feasts and saints in line with the church liturgical year. They will compare their own and other people's ideas about questions that are difficult to answer.

Maths

Number: Place Value, Partitioning & Rounding, Comparing & Ordering Numbers, Inverses, Securing Number Facts (tables, bonds, doubles/halves), Roman Numerals to 100
Written Methods addition/subtraction, multiplication/division
Fractions – add/subtract fractions with same denominator, find equivalent fractions
Geometry – compare shapes, identify & order angles, lines of symmetry, plot co-ordinates
Measure – Estimate & calculate measures (incl money), convert between units of measures, find area by counting squares, calculate rectangle perimeters, tell the time analogue/digital
Statistics – bar charts, pictograms, line graphs, plotting co-ordinates
Problem Solving across all areas.

Humanities

We will focus on the Viking Empire and its impact on Britain, looking at the reasons for invasion. We'll learn all about Viking longboats and Viking gods such as Thor. Romans and Anglo-Saxon life will be explored too, in less depth.

Computing

The children will look at internet safety, how to research cleverly using the internet and will later in the term use Scratch to write their own game code.

French

Children will recap on the sounds of the French alphabet and develop their pronunciation. They will be learning and using new vocabulary focusing on oral skills.

Science

Habitats: We will be learning all about how to classify animals.
Electricity: Children will be identifying insulators and conductors and constructing simple series circuits.

Music

Music making will link to our topics and will focus on pitch.

ART/DT

We will link our Art and DT work to our Viking topic, designing and making a range of artefacts which will use a variety of 2D and 3D skills.

SEAL

Our year 4 focus for this term is on
Autumn 1: New Beginnings
Autumn 2: Getting on and Falling Out

PE

Hockey, Gymnastics and other invasion games.