

We are Invaders

Why did the Vikings invade Britain?

Focus on the Vikings and why they invaded.

Year 3 and 4



Main Learning focus - History

As part of our work on Vikings we will be looking at when, why and how the Vikings invaded Britain and how it changed Britain. We will be looking at everyday life in Viking Britain and having a fantastic day with the "History off the Page" team. Also as part of that day we will get to experience what it is like to be an archaeologist and discover artefacts from the Viking era.

English

In English we will be studying poetry through the beautiful descriptions in the book "Tell me a Dragon". We will be looking at how language can be used to create wonderful descriptive



poetry and even having a go at writing some ourselves.

We will also be looking at "The Clockwork Dragon" and creating our own adventure story with mythical clockwork creatures.

Mathematics

In maths, we will be continuing to learn about place value and be looking at rounding to different numbers and estimating. We will also be looking addition and subtraction, with a focus on different methods they can use and patterns they can find.

Within this topic we will be developing our quick recall of 3, 4, and 8 times tables for Year 3s and 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 times tables for Year 4s.

Science

In Science we are learning about Plants. Besides looking at what conditions plants need to grow, we will also introduce the children to new scientific vocabulary and concepts such as fertilization, reproduction, germination and the life cycle of plants.

Art and Design

In Art we will be improving our sketching techniques and learning how to add shading, shadow and use cross hatching to make our pictures look more realistic.

We will also be looking at how the Vikings used natural dyes.

Computing

In computing we will learn that the World Wide Web is part of the internet and have opportunities to explore the Web for ourselves to learn about who owns content and what they can access, add, and create. Finally, we will evaluate online content to decide how honest, accurate, or reliable it is.

Music

This term we will be learning the ukulele together. A teacher from the music service will be joining us to teach the children musical notation and how to play notes on the ukulele with care so that they are clear. There will also be an opportunity for the children to perform what they have learnt.

RE

In R.E. will be exploring Islam, finding out about the origins of Muslims faith as well as how Islam is practiced today. We will learn about the festivals and celebrations as well as important symbolism, linking this to our knowledge of other religions as well as our personal views.

PE

In games, we will be developing our running skills and learning how to control and use our footwork and balance.

In PE, we will be doing gymnastics with a focus on creating different pathways and acrobatic sequences.

French

By the end of this unit pupils will be able to recognise, recall, remember and spell up to 10 musical instruments in French with their definite article. Pupils will also develop the knowledge and skills to create short phrases with the verb 'I play' plus the instrument nouns and determiners.

Time To Talk

In these sessions, we will focus on relationships and how to treat each other with respect in everyday life and online. The children will also talk about how everyone should feel included and respected and how to respond if they witness or experience exclusion, disrespect or discrimination. Our value this topic is empathy.