

English

In our English lessons we will be finding out about the Battle of Hastings and writing a battle speech using persuasive language. We will then put all of our learning about the Vikings together to create an information text

In grammar, will we continue to look at subjects and verbs in order to construct single-clause sentences. We will then go on to look at conjunctions.

We will read a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts that relate to our history and science topics. Our whole class reading book is 'Varjak Paw by S. F. Said.

Maths

We are following the White Rose Mastery Maths structure. This term we will be focusing on area and then moving on to multiplication and division. We will also continue to practise our times tables.

Topic

Vikings is predominantly history and geography based. We will be studying the Viking and Anglo Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor. We will gain an understanding of where the Vikings came from and look at key raids and invasions. A key consideration will be of the importance of Saxon kings at this time including the introduction of Danegeld. We will also learn about Viking life and how they travelled.

Important Information

Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school every day. This must include a change of footwear that is appropriate for outdoor sports (trainers). Earrings should not be worn on PE days. We do not have anywhere secure to store earrings so, if possible, please do not send your child in their earrings on PE days. PE this term is on a Monday and a Friday (weather pending). Later in the term, we will be going swimming on a Monday afternoon.

Please read at home as often as possible (a minimum of 3 times a week) and ensure your child has their reading diary in school every day. Diaries will be checked, signed and Dojos given (to a maximum of 5 per week) on a Friday.

TT Rockstars will also be checked on a Friday. The minimum expectation is 3 games per week with Dojos being awarded per game (to a maximum of 5). Extra Dojos will be given to the class winner and those who have put in extra effort.

Y4 Autumn Term 2 **Were the Vikings raiders, traders or settlers?**



Music

This half term, we will be practising modern and traditional Christmas carols for our carol service.

RE

Our key question this term is:
'What do different people believe about God?'

PE

This term, we will be looking at the skills needed to play invasion games. We will also be going swimming.

Science

In our science lessons, we will continue to work scientifically by grouping and classifying a variety of materials according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases and will develop descriptions of these states. We will be observing that some materials, such as water, change state when they are heated or cooled and we will be measuring the temperature of this in degrees Celsius. We will also be exploring the effect of temperature on substances such as types of chocolate by making: predictions; careful observations; and asking relevant questions. We will record and report our findings using accurate scientific language.

PSHE

This half term we will finish our unit on 'Being Me' and then look at 'Celebrating Differences.'

French

We will be learning how to ask for various snacks and give opinions about food. We will also learn the numbers from 21 to 31 and the months of the year.

Art and Design Technology

We will learn how to darken or lighten a colour when mixing paint, to create tints and shades of a colour. We will use tints and shades to give a three-dimensional effect when painting. We will explore how paint can create very different effects and consider proportion and composition when planning a still life painting.

Computing

This term, we will continue to create programs by planning, modifying, and testing commands to create shapes and patterns. The children will use a program called Turtle Academy.