



Literacy

We will be diving into the world of dragons, creating our own adventure story for Year 2. Reading the beautifully illustrated 'Arthur and The Golden Rope', we will gather inspiration for our own stories focussing on vocabulary which will capture our reader's interest and imagination. We will be creating our own monstrous dragons, describing them in great detail. We will also read 'How to Train Your Dragon' as our class text.

Art and design

We will use images of common themes (dragons) to design our own 2d Viking Boat Head (drakkar) in sketchbooks and from clay.

Computing

We will use animation programmes to create a cartoon about King Alfred the Great.

Science

We will be looking at the life processes needed for all organisms to survive. We will then be investigating all the ways that we can group and classify different types of animals using classification keys. From this, we will create food chains identifying producers, predators and prey. We will also be looking at the different habitats various animals live in and how they survive there.

Year 4 – Spring 2 2018

Traders and Raiders

Big and strong, powerful and brave, the Saxons wave their battle axes and brandish their swords as they begin to invade Britain's shores.

Sail back to the Dark Ages, where battles were rife and fear reigned. Find out about the life of the Saxons, including how they reigned. Find out about the life of the Saxons, including how they lived and where they came from. Meet the bloodthirsty Vikings from Scandinavia – never before had such terror swept the land.

Make a Saxon sword or a Viking brooch and decorate it with intricate patterns.

Choose to be a Saxon or Viking and trade your crafty goods. But let's keep it cool – we don't want a fight breaking out!

Are you ready to shine a light on the dangerous and deadly Dark Ages...?



History

We will be investigating the lives of Vikings and Anglo-Saxon men, women and children and examining their religious beliefs. After plotting Anglo-Saxon settlements on a map of the UK we will be investigating how place names around us have been influenced by the Anglo-Saxon language.

Homework

We will continue to set homework projects linked to our topics and weekly maths and English work.

Please help your child to complete these tasks.

Please also read with your child every day.

Maths in topic

- We will create a Viking longship using our knowledge of shapes
- Venn diagrams in Science to group animals

Maths

- Multiplication and division formal written methods
- Word problems involving multiplication and division
- Fractions- equivalent fractions, counting up and down in hundredths, adding and subtracting fractions