

Spring Term in Year 4





Below is a summary of what we will be learning this Spring Term. Two key dates for you is Friday 5th January (Viking Day) and Monday 8th January (Viking workshop in school).

Literacy

They will be writing short narrative stories, as well as exploring some diary writing, and some letters. Also, we will be non-chronological report based on our topic.

Pick 'n' Mix Homework

Try baking Anglo Saxon or Viking flatbread (search online for recipes). Here are some ideas: Bread or shortbread (Anglo-Saxons) Cookies or stew (Vikings)	Watch the video clip below paying particular attention to the story of Beowulf. https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/story-of-britain-anglo-saxon-britain/zdh2t39 Produce a piece of writing based on the tale. E.g. A description of the fight A diary entry from Beowulf's perspective A recount of the story A character description of Grendel
Anglo Saxons and Vikings were fierce warriors. Research and make a weapon that they typical used in battle.	Look at images of Anglo Saxon coins and design or make your own.  

Homework challenge:

- Can you make a Dragon Boat?
- Can you create a quiz for the class to answer or perhaps a brilliant boardgame?

Spelling:

In the Spring Term, the children will be learning a pattern each week as well as a few 'Common Exception Words'. We will continue to write a list into the Homework Diaries each week. Please, help your child to practise these little and often

Reading:

Please ensure that your child is reading at least three times a week out loud at home. The more reading a child does has been shown to directly improve academic ability in all areas of their learning – therefore the more they read the better they do at school.

PE: Swimming starts this in Spring 2 for Year 4. Mr Worthington's class will be first to get wet. Please make sure the children have swimming hats, costumes and a towel of their own to use.

PE days are Wednesday and Thursday
Swimming days/times will be confirmed closer to time

Maths

The children will be continuing with the Maths No Problem approach. Your child will need to know ALL times tables up to 12 x 12 by the end of the year, so encourage plenty of TT Rockstars time! Do not forget about Mathematics and Maths Tutor to support your learning.



Spring 1 Topic: Traders and Raiders

We will be teaching the following sections about everything Vikings.

- Plotting key events on a timeline.
- Finding out who Vikings were.
- Identifying and explaining aspects of Viking life.
- Using sources to debate the reputation of the Vikings.
- To explain why the Viking period came to an end.
- How did they influence Britain/Jersey?

Spring 2 Topic: Road Trip USA

We will be teaching the following sections about everything Road Trip USA.



- Locate USA on a map.
- What is the physical geography of USA?
- What is the USA?
- What are the biomes of USA?
- How does the USA compare to Jersey?

Any queries or questions about the term ahead, please contact us on:

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