



Year 4 – Autumn 1

Topic/theme

Invasion - We will sail back to the Dark Ages, where battles were rife and fear reigned. We will find out about the life of the Saxons, including how they lived and where they came from. We will meet the bloodthirsty Vikings from Scandinavia – never before had such terror swept the land. Let's keep it cool – we don't want a fight breaking out! We want to shine a light on the dangerous dark ages!

Reading

Fiction – We will explore narrative order and discuss how sentence structure and powerful language can have different effects on the reader.

Non-fiction – We will use scanning to locate information quickly and accurately. We will explain the techniques the author has used to organise a non-fiction text. We will identify how and why paragraphs are used to organise and sequence information and identify the features of recounted texts.

Poetry – We will compare and contrast poems on similar themes, use poetic terms, learn to recognise different poems and explain their pattern and structure.

Writing

Narrative - We will be writing a narrative based on the beginning of How To Train Your Dragon.

Recount -We will be writing a first-person recount based around a Viking invasion.

Maths

Place Value - We will be focusing on place value during this term, including counting in 100s, 1000s and 25s, comparing and ordering 4-digit numbers and rounding.

Addition and Subtraction - We will then move on to addition and subtraction where we will be adding 4-digit numbers with and without renaming, subtracting 4-digit numbers with and without renaming and solving word problems





PSHE

In this Puzzle (unit), the children are introduced to their discuss their Jigsaw Charter. As part of this, they discuss rights and responsibilities, and choices and consequences. The children learn about being part of a class team and how make everyone feel included.

Science

Sound – We will be looking at how sounds are made and recognising that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear. We will also be finding patterns between the pitch of a sound and the strength of a vibration.

Art and Design

Contrast and Complement – Children will be taught about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and colour mixing. This unit includes an exploration of tertiary colours, warm and cool colours, complementary colours and analogous colours, and how artists use colour in their artwork.

Computing

Online Safety – We will be building on our knowledge from Year 3 and learning how to stay safe on the internet.

History

We will be focusing on Saxons and Vikings this half term. We will look at the Anglo-Saxon invasion as well as what life was like during the Saxon era. We will also look at daily life under Viking rule as well as the Viking raids at Lindisfarne.

Music

We will have our music teacher Mrs Keithley visiting us every week to teach the children how to play the ukulele.

RE

Judaism – Shabbat: We will be looking at the event of Shabbat, understanding the origins and what it looks like today.





PE

Netball – Children will learn to pass and receive the ball, create space and develop space before playing games of netball.

MFL

Welcome to School Super Learners - Children will be looking at asking and answering questions about themselves, recalling numbers 1-20, naming days of the week and months of the year and naming rooms and objects in a school.

