



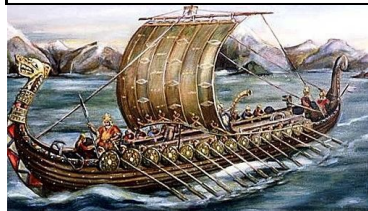
YEAR 4 CURRICULUM INFORMATION

English

- Viking Non Chronological reports
Using our knowledge of the Vikings the children will write a non-chronological report explaining about the Viking's habits and ways of life.
- Grammar - the grammar skills which we will be learning, include:
Standard forms of English verb inflections (**we were**, not we was).
Time sequencing adverbs. E.g., After, later, finally.
Using a **comma** after **fronted adverbials**.
Using a wider range of **subordinating conjunctions**.
Expanding noun phrases by using **adjectives** and **prepositions**. E.g., Millions of years later, the rocks surrounding the skeleton rises to the Earth's surface.
Using **paragraphs** to organising ideas around a theme, including linking paragraphs using the opening and closing sentences.
Punctuate **all** sentences appropriately. Non-negotiable: **capital letters** and **full stops, question marks, exclamation marks, commas** after fronted adverbials.

Maths

- Shape
Looking at the properties of **2D** and **3D** shapes as well as **symmetry** in shapes. We will also be looking at the **perimeter** and **area** of shapes.
- Statistics
Children will interpret **data** in different ways and present it in a range of **graphs**.
- Mental Maths strategies
Children will continue to learn their **times tables** up to **12 x 12** and the related division facts.



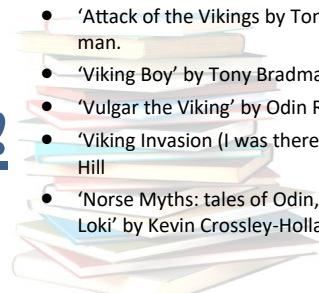
Our topic this half term is Vicious Vikings!

Topic Overview

During this topic we will be investigating and exploring about how and why Britain was invaded by the Vikings! We will be researching and understanding the human geography and why settlements start where they do. In History we will develop a chronological understanding of the timeline of Britain and how it has shaped our lives today. We will also be thinking critically about the evidence presented to us and how we can evaluate to ensure historical accuracy. Finally, in Science we will be investigating how sound impacts our daily lives.

Some brilliant books to read:

- 'Attack of the Vikings by Tony Bradman.
- 'Viking Boy' by Tony Bradman
- 'Vulgar the Viking' by Odin Redbeard
- 'Viking Invasion (I was there)' by Stuart Hill
- 'Norse Myths: tales of Odin, Thor and Loki' by Kevin Crossley-Holland



Important dates!

Please check the website for upcoming events.

Useful Websites

- www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/10-facts-about-the-vikings
- www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/vikings.html
- www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/vikings
- www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/ztyr9i6

Additional Information

FoH

Friends of Hillcross are looking for parent/carer volunteers to support with the Spring fair—please info www.info@hillcross.merton.sch.uk if you would like to support.

Wet-Play Games

If you have any books or games at home that you've become a little tired with, please donate to our Year 4 classes :-)

Tissues

As the cold weather stays with us, please send tissues in to help keep bugs off our hands and in the bin!

Where can I find out more?

Please see our topic grids to find out more about what we will be learning in Science, Art and Design, History, Geography etc. Also, the SMSC (social, moral, spiritual and cultural) grids will show our how our learning links to British Values, Equalities, Thinking Skills and PSHE

