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Year 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is an overview of what will be happening in Year 4 this half term.

Curriculum: Our half term topic is 'traders and raiders'. Pupils will explore Saxon Britain and discover what happened when the marauding Vikings invaded. This topic will cover history, geography and art.

Memorable Experience: A visit from a Viking warrior, who will tell pupils all about Viking culture and their beliefs.

English: This term pupils will be learning how about recounts. They will be writing about their visit from a Viking warrior. Later on in the term, pupils will re-write a narrative for the epic Viking Saga Beowulf.

Maths: In Maths this term we will be learning about; fractions, (using multiplication and division to find non-unit quantities), converting kilometres and metres into different lengths and mental addition and subtraction before using these skills to write their own two-step word problems.

Science: This term, pupils will be taught to: describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. They will also be identifying the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. Finally, they will be constructing and interpreting a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey

History: This term we are looking at Britain after the Romans departed, pupils will learn about the Saxons who occupied the land and the Vikings who arrived to plunder their settlements.

PSHE: This term pupils will be looking at ways in which they can stay healthy, they will be learning about the positive effects of an effective diet and regular exercise.

Computing, Art & Design: For art this term pupils will have the opportunity to create their own Viking weapon, before writing a short set of instructions detailing how they accomplished this.

P.E: This term we will be learning and practicing gymnastics, before working in groups to create a routine.

RE: This term we will be looking at Christianity, pupils will be discovering how Jesus' life, death and resurrection teaches Christians about forgiveness.

Kind regards,

Y4 Teachers