

# Raiders and Invaders!

## History/Geography

We will become historians and discover when and why the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings invaded Britain. Our learning will discover how this period of history links to other periods such as the Bronze and Stone Age. Discover what life was like in an Anglo-Saxon village and investigate what jobs people did in the Anglo-Saxon and Viking periods and how these events shaped our lives today.

Use your geographical knowledge to find out where these fierce warriors came from. Use an atlas to locate countries, cities and counties. Find out where in the world Gloucestershire is and practise geographical skills like locating countries, lines of latitude and longitude.



**Year 4 are learning about the development of British History from Anglo Saxon Britain to the Vikings.**



## Design, Technology and Art

Become a clay sculptor! Make a replica of the famous Sutton Hoo Hoard. Make observational sketches using 3D effects such as shading and hatching.

Develop an electrical system as part of our designs to make a handheld light source to explore an historical site.

## Music

Ahoy, me hearties! We will be listening to, composing and performing our very own Sea Shanties! We will have 10 lessons of whole class clarinet, which is so exciting!

## PSHE/RSE

Learn how to develop caring and trusting relationships with friends and family - know what a healthy relationship is. Understand the life cycle of humans and how our bodies change.

## English

We will create our own stories based on the exciting book: The Train to Impossible Places, create our own version of Beowulf, create non-chronological reports about the Anglo-Saxons, and write letters.

## Maths

Decimals and fractions will be our first focus. Do you know your 2D and 3D shapes? How many edges does a tetrahedron have? Learn to describe the properties of shapes and find and measure angles. How far? We will learn to calculate perimeter of shapes and end with a bit of statistics!

## Science

Electrifying electricity and exciting experiments! We will learn how to draw and build electrical circuits. Then we will be investigating how sound travels, what makes sounds louder or quieter and how we hear sounds. Discover how your ear works and understand vibrations, pitch and amplitude.

## Religious Education

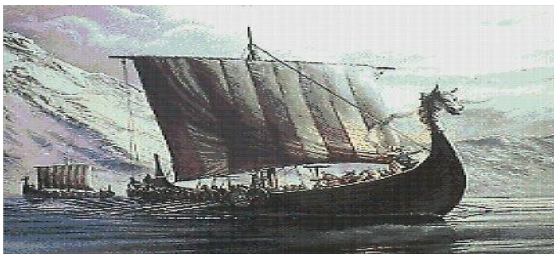
Discover the impact of Pentecost and understand the connections between the Bible and Christian beliefs today.

## Physical Education

This term we will be developing our striking and fielding skills with learning to play cricket and rounders. Get ready to be an athlete and prepare our athletic ability including preparation for sports day! Finally, we will learn to invade in sports by learning to play netball.

## Computing

Continuing with our Digital futures focus to stay safe online by learn how to manage online information and know about privacy and security. During our Teach Computing lessons we will learn to be programmers! We will learn how to programme repeating shapes and then how to programme a repeating game.



Hawk Class Teacher: Miss Woodman  
Osprey Class Teacher: Mrs Lawes  
Y4 Teaching Assistants: Mrs Harris and Mrs Blanch

## ***Welcome Back!***

We hope you had a fantastic Easter break; it is so lovely to see all your children back in school looking smart and ready to learn. The children have been working incredibly hard already and we are looking forward to the term ahead. We are always happy to help and please feel free to contact any of the teachers via class dojo or email: [alawes@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:alawes@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk); [lwoodman@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:lwoodman@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk)

### ***Reading***

Reading is the key to unlocking all the doors for learning. Please encourage your child to read aloud to you at home on a daily basis. Please record and sign your child's home school reading record three times a week so that we can see the reading that has taken place at home. We will hear your child read at least once a week in school.

### **Times Tables – Homework**

Please could you encourage your child to learn all of their times tables facts, as this will help with mental and written methods of calculation.

Your child will also have their multiplication check assessment in June so it is vital that they know their times tables. Follow this link for more information:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents>

### ***PE Days: Monday and Thursday.***

Please ensure your child has their PE in school all week with their PE kit in a draw string bag; making sure everything is clearly named. **School PE Kit please rather than named branded clothing. Please no named hoodies or t-shirts. Children must wear their Kingsway jumper over their PE kit, not a sports' jumper.**

**Navy t-shirt, with black/navy joggers or shorts please, trainers rather than daps are best for our outdoor PE lessons for the Summer Term.**

**Thank you**

***Trip!*** We are hoping to be going to South Cerney Lakes just before half-term to do some Dragon Boat Racing! Once we have the date confirmed we will let you know.

**Homework** will be for children to read at least 3 times a week with a signed reading diary and times tables practise such as TTRS.