School School

Year 4 History Curriculum Overview

Term	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year Group Theme	FOLK	COMPARE	US
Subject Focus	Anglo-Saxons and Vikings-invasion and kingdoms		
Essential Questions/ Key concepts	-What language do you speak? Who are the British? Anglo-Saxons and Danes/Vikings What journeys did people make to settle here? What does it mean to settle far from your home? What makes a home? Why might others try to take it away? Kingdoms-Nation-Folk-Village-Power-Border		
National curriculum-knowl edge and skills	-Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots Roman withdrawal from Britain in c. AD 410 and the fall of the western Roman Empire Scots invasions from Ireland to north Britain (now Scotland) Anglo-Saxon invasions, settlements and kingdoms: place names and village life Anglo-Saxon art and culture Christian conversion – Canterbury, Iona and Lindisfarne		

Hope Kindness Forgiveness Aspiration Love Courage Trust Respect Friendship

	-the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor Viking raids and invasion resistance by Alfred the Great and Athelstan, first king of England further Viking invasions and Danegeld Anglo-Saxon laws and justice Edward the Confessor and his death in 1066 -know and understand the history of these islands as a coherent, chronological narrative, from the earliest times to the present day: how people's lives have shaped this nation and how Britain has influenced and been influenced by the wider world -gain and deploy a historically grounded understanding of abstract terms such as 'empire', 'civilisation', 'parliament' and 'peasantry'	
Spark, Trips, Visitors, events	Norwich Castle- Viking experience	
Diversity/PSHE links	Links to migration and improving lives by travelling to an unfamiliar place	
Maestro/Cross- curricular links	Invasion Links to human geography, maps of the UK and East Anglia. Find the Danelaw and the Heptarchy, find the borders of the kingdoms and compare to today's counties. Look at the way villages were self-sufficient and where they were sited and how towns developed and grew. Look at the toponymy of different parts of the UK. (Compare Anglo-Saxon influence (several hundred years) vs Viking influence (much shorter)	

Key vocabulary	Christianity, conquer, Danegeld, invasion, monastery, monk, pagan, raid, reeve, Scandinavia, wattle and daub	
Skills progression	 4a When I talk or write about the past, I include detail; I show that I can make some connections with features of other periods I have studied 4b I can place a number of events, objects, themes and people from topics I have studied on a timeline 4c I can use some dates and historical period terms. 4d I can describe some changes in the historical period I am studying 4e I can describe similarities and differences between some people, events and beliefs in the period of history I am studying 4f I can suggest reasons for and results of people's actions and events 4g I can suggest which people were historically important 4h I can comment on the usefulness and accuracy of different sources of evidence 4i I can identify primary and secondary sources of evidence 4j In my written work, I try to: +organise my answers well, +state my conclusions, +give reasons for my ideas, +use some dates and historical terms 	
Prior knowledge check	Who were the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings? How long ago was this? Where did they live? What else was going on at the same time?	
Assessment	By the age of 9: What do you know about people in the past from Thetford/Norfolk? · What do you know about people in the past in Britain? Tell me	

what you know about?	
What do you know about people in the	
past from? Tell me what you	
know about?	
Can you put these things in the order that they	
happened?	
What are some of the main achievements of	
? What changed during the time	
of the?	
What are the similarities and	
differences betweenand	
?	
Why do you think happened during	
?	
What do and have in	
common?	
How do we know about this period? What	
does this object tell you about the?	
Can you use this to tell me about	
? Which is the best source to help	
you answer the question?	