

This exciting topic will take Class 3 on a fascinating journey of discovery as we find out about the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle; in England becoming a unified country. We will explore where the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings came from, how they fought for territory and power and how their fighting led to the kingdom of England we know today.

Science



The Vikings were so much more than just marauding warriors - they used science to make everyday life easier! Through detailed, engaging slides and challenging, diverse scientific enquiries, we will learn all about how biology, chemistry, physics, technology and engineering helped shape Viking society. This will stretch our upper key stage 2 children to become critical, rigorous and curious scientists.

Geography

Wrap up warm, we're going on a fascinating journey to Scandinavia as we explore the location, features and culture of Norway, Sweden and Denmark. We will find out how the climates differ in various areas of Scandinavia; exploring spectacular scenery, learning about the culture and lifestyle in Scandinavian countries and comparing how areas in the UK are similar and different.



French

As we should have our French trip around the corner, Miss Anderson has set up a 'pen pal' link to a London School, where we will share and practise our French skills learned, throughout our time at Primary School.

RE

This unit on commitment discusses the concept of commitment and defines what is meant by it. By giving examples of commitments made by famous figures, it will encourage Class 3 to make their own goals and invites them to review their commitment each week through the unit. Class 3 will also explore the concept of sacrifice, building upon learning from last term and why sacrifices may be made. They will examine and discuss a range of religious and non-religious commitments and sacrifices made by others. Class 3 will find out about non-religious, Jewish and Christian coming-of-age ceremonies, fasting within Islam and marriage within Hinduism. Years 5 and 6 will then apply their learning by planning their own commitment ceremony and consider the changes they might make in their life for the benefit of themselves and others.



PE

We look forward to welcoming Mr Brown to our school as he delivers PE to Class 3 on a Thursday morning; bringing consistent PE sessions across the partnership to Years 5 and 6.

We will also be participating in All Stars Cricket this term, developing and enhancing a range of skills and strategies across the PE curriculum.



D&T

Developing an appreciation for the great engineers who were the Vikings, we will be making our very own land yachts, developing our designing, measuring, cutting, sanding, gluing, sawing and evaluation skills!



History

The learning will surround the Vikings, who were raiders, who eventually settled in Britain. We will be defining terms such as 'raider' and 'settler' and locating the Viking period on a timeline. We will be researching and carrying out the types of 'jobs' that would be done; discussing how the Viking period has shaped life today.



Music

We will be exploring the history of music before having a go at composing our own pieces of music, developing our recognition of music notations.



Art

Full of fun activities, with a focus on improving drawing and shading techniques, we will be enthusiastically drawing Viking knots, sketching fierce warriors and creating our own Viking jewellery. These sessions will immerse us in our Viking topic; improving our art knowledge, skills and understanding.

Computing

Class 3 will be given an understanding of spreadsheets and how they can be used. In the first five lessons, a different spreadsheet template is provided in which children learn skills in formatting and entering specific formulas. Lessons 4 and 5 include investigative skills in using the spreadsheet to solve specific problems. Examples include number calculations, sports league tables, test scores, and budget planning. The final lesson allows an open-ended task for Years 5 and 6 to design their own spreadsheet, with ideas and direction provided for particular purposes.

PSHE

A safe, supportive climate will be provided for our Year 5 and 6 children as we explore relationships and how they change as we get older, as well as discussing the changes our bodies go through.

