

Class 2 Autumn 1 2023 Overview



Who Were the Vikings?



FRENCH

This half term in French we are learning how to introduce ourselves, say how we feel and improve our cultural awareness of France and French speaking countries. Activities include finding France and locating Paris on a map; carrying out plenty of oral role play tasks to ask how somebody is feeling and replying; learning ten colours and a song to be able to count from 1-10 in French.

ART

In art it's all about drawing! Initially we will be learning drawing and shading techniques and exploring Viking art features. We will then showcase our learning by drawing Viking patterns and creating a piece of Viking art; using shading techniques taught, accurately to sketch a Viking dragon head; sketching a portrait of a Viking warrior and drawing and creating a piece of Viking jewellery.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be thinking about 'Being Me' We will examine topics such as:

- Getting to know each other.
- Becoming a class 'team'
- Our nightmare/dream school
- Rewards and consequences
- Rights, responsibilities and democracy
- Our learning charter

SCIENCE

In science we are focusing on forces. Our learning will allow us to compare how things move on different surfaces; notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance; observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others; compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet; identify some magnetic materials; describe magnets as having two poles; predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing.

RE

In RE our big question for this ½ term is: What kind of world did Jesus want?
This unit focuses on understanding and recognising the Gospel as being a book of good news about Jesus' life. Children will explore stories in the Gospel such as the calling of the first disciples and how Jesus taught his followers not to judge others but instead showed love to others.
We will explore this through research and discussion.

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY

Using historical research and mapwork, we will be learning about:
Where the Vikings came from and their family life; Viking raids and invasion, including the history of Viking weapons; what made the Vikings successful and Viking Longships.

COMPUTING

For computing we will create a class Viking fact file. Children will choose an area to research and present, focusing on these skills:

I am learning to

- use a search engine to find specific information.
- recognise that you can organise files using folders.
- Understand what a good file name would look like
- delete and move files.
- use key parts of a keyboard effectively, e.g. shift, arrow keys, delete).
- copy and paste text or images in a document.
- crop an image and apply simple filters.

MUSIC

We will be following the Charanga scheme and learning to listen, reflect on what we have heard and appraise it. We will then use musical instruments as an accompaniment to - Let Your Spirit Fly by Joanna Mangona and learn how to sing it.

PE & WILDTRIBE

PE will see class 2 working with PE specialists focusing on football (Monday's) and dance (Tuesday's).

In Wildtribe we will be building shelters in the woods. An activity that will help us understand how Viking settlers lived and worked. Foraging for food like Vikings did. Practicing orienteering/Viking navigation techniques by following directions on a treasure map. Taking part in Viking ship races, learning about Norse mythology and cooking up Viking feasts on the fire.