

## Year 4—Spring 2 Topic Overview

This half term, our topic is: Anglo-Saxons and Scots. In history, we will be focusing on the Anglo-Saxon time period; exploring all about this community and the impact they had on Britain. To compliment our learning in history, we will be creating our own style of Anglo-Saxon jewellery in art. In our English lessons, we will be exploring the text Beowulf.



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## Saxons and Scots

Reading We will be completing the Hampshire Book Awards and this will result in us reading a compilation of recommended reads. At the end of this unit, we will be voting on our favourite book as a year group.	Writing In English lessons, we will be studying the Beowulf text and will be re-writing the battle scene from a different character's perspective.	Maths In this half term, we will be focusing on fractions and then completing our unit with decimal exploration. We will also be continuing our daily practising of times tables.
History  This half term, we are going to be exploring the Anglo-Saxons. We will be learning about what life was like for this community and will conclude our learning with an immersive school trip to 878AD and The Winchester City Museum.	PSHE (Personal, Social, Heath Education) This half term the theme is 'Happy and Healthy Me!' This will involve recognising how we are all unique, the choices that we make and how we can look after our community and the environment around us.	Art In our art unit, we will be exploring patterns used by Anglo-Saxons and recognising the symbolism behind them. We will be using our knowledge of these patterns to help us create Anglo-Saxon style jewellery.
French In French, our topic will be 'presenting myself', we will be practising important phrases and acknowledging different ways to present ourselves using French vocabulary and phrases.	Games and PE In Games, we will be developing our football skills. In our PE lessons, we will be exploring yoga and the impact this can have on our physical health and wellbeing.	Music Throughout the year in Year 4, we will have lessons run by Hampshire music called 'Listen to Me'. This half term we will be continuing to learn the keyboard.
Science In Science, we will be learning about plant reproduction. We will be exploring and classifying different types of seeds as well as recognising the process of pollination through the wind and insects.	RE (Religious Education) Our concept in RE is symbol; we will be learning about how different crosses have different meanings within Christianity. The children will also be sharing and discussing their understanding of symbols within their own lives.	

## **Key Dates:**

World Book Day: Thursday 7th March British Science Week: Monday 11th March

878AD Winchester Trip: Monday 25th March and Tuesday 26th March

PE Days (please wear PE kit on these days): Beech—Monday and Thursday

Pine-Monday and Friday

Maple—Monday and Friday

## **Homework reminders:**

**Spelling** - your child will have their weekly spellings stuck into their home school diary. These will be practised in school ready for a test every **Friday**. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings at home too.

Reading - x3 weekly

Times Table Rockstars - x3 weekly

Maths/English - your child will be provided with a weekly learning task to complete (Hand out: Friday Due: Thursday)

Completion of homework tasks/extra reading/TTRS/spelling practise will be rewarded accordingly with effort marks and house points.