



# Year 4—Summer 1 Topic Overview

This half term, our topic is: Vicious Vikings! In history, we will be focusing on the Viking 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 Viking Longboat mechanisms in DT. In our English lessons, we will be exploring the text Arthur and The Golden Rope.

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## Vicious Vikings

<p><b>Reading</b></p> <p>In our Book Talk lessons, we will be exploring Cressida Cowell's 'How to Train Your Dragon' text. We will be focusing on our different VIPER reading skills as well as completing a generous amount of reading miles.</p>	<p><b>Writing</b></p> <p>In English lessons, we will be studying Arthur and The Golden Rope and for our outcome, we will be writing a speech to persuade Thor to save the village and stop Fenrir.</p> 	<p><b>Maths</b></p> <p>In this half term, we will be focusing on exploring decimals, money and time. Anything you can do to support your child with telling the time and using money/receiving change would be greatly appreciated. We will also be continuing our daily practising of times tables.</p>
<p><b>History</b></p> <p>This half term, we are going to be exploring the Vikings. We will be learning about what life was like for this community and what made them successful in their invasions.</p>	<p><b>PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education)</b></p> <p>This half term the theme is 'Valuing Difference' This will involve exploring the terms 'compromise and negotiation' whilst recognising what makes us different and similar to those around us.</p>	<p><b>Computing</b></p> <p>In our computing unit, we will be exploring the internet and the different websites present on the internet. The children will be thinking carefully about trustworthy sources and whether we can believe everything that the internet tells us!</p>
<p><b>French</b></p> <p>In French, our topic will be 'In the Classroom'. We will be practising important phrases and acknowledging different items that feature in a classroom space.</p>	<p><b>Games and PE</b></p> <p>In Games, we will be developing our hockey skills. In our PE lessons, we will be exploring handball.</p>	<p><b>Music</b></p> <p>Throughout the year in Year 4, we will have lessons run by Hampshire music called 'Listen to Me'. This half term we will be learning the ukulele.</p>
	<p><b>RE (Religious Education)</b></p> <p>Our concept in RE is peace; we will be learning about how Buddhists use meditation to help them experience peace and exploring the children's own thoughts and feelings about how they find peace.</p>	<p><b>DT</b></p> <p>In DT, we will be learning about levers and linkages and how we can use specific types of levers and linkages to create a moving Viking longboat.</p>

### Key Dates:

Earth Day: Monday 22nd April

Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday Monday

Tuesday 21st May: World Cultural Day

**PE Days (please wear PE kit on these days):** Beech—Tuesday 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

**Times Tables** - your child will be provided with a weekly learning task to complete based around the multiplication table of focus that week.

(Hand out: Friday Due: Thursday)

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