

Dear Class 4,

We hope you enjoyed creating your newspaper report on a Viking raid. This week we would like you to be detectives and research a famous Viking, e.g. Beowulf, Alfred the Great or Leif Erikson and create a detailed information report on what life was like for them.

Include: Appearance, Personality, Family History, Strengths/Weaknesses, Likes/Dislikes, Community—what were their homes like? Diet—what was a typical Viking/ Saxon diet?

Use these websites to find further information

<http://www.ngkids.co.uk/history/anglo-saxons>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zxsbcdm>

Art and Design:

Design your own Viking or Saxon warrior.

- What do they look like?
- What shield/armour would they have?
- What type of personality do they have?
- What would you call them? Why?
- What are their strengths?

Make sure you write a brief description of your character and an explanation of your design choices.

Stories:

Go to BBC Bitesize KS2 English: Viking Sagas and watch stories from Norse mythology told in a fun style. **They feature Odin, Loki, Freya, Thor and many other gods, goddesses, giants and an array of unusual creatures!**

Spellings:

Using the Year 3 and 4 spelling list, try the following activities.

- find the definition using a dictionary
- write the word into a sentence
- find some synonyms using a thesaurus
- write in best handwriting
- rainbow words
- spell the word out using chalk, water on concrete or a fence using a paintbrush, magnetic letters, scrabble letters or stamps

Maths: Can you investigate the following number statements and see if they are sometimes, always or never statements? Remember to work them out in an organised and systematic way.

1. The sum of 3 odd numbers is odd.
2. If you add an odd and an even number together, the answer is always even.
3. A multiple of 9 is also a multiple of 3.
4. Dividing a number by 100 moves every digit 2 places to the right.
5. The product of any three consecutive numbers is always even.
6. The product of any 2 odd numbers is always odd.
7. A number is a multiple of 4 if its last two digits are divisible by 4.
8. Every multiple of 12 is three times a multiple of 4.
9. If you add together the digits in any multiple of 90, the product will be 9.
10. Multiples of 4 always end in 2, 4 or 8.

Extension - Can you make up some of your own number statements for a family member to investigate?

Don't forget there are daily maths lessons on <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/z63tt39/>

Try a week of maths activities on this website. <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-4/>

P.E: A Thousand Steps - How many different ways can you complete a thousand steps? Can you think of a new way each day? Try these to get started: walking, jogging on the spot, marching, hopping from foot to foot, side-stepping, backwards and forwards in a square, galloping.

Challenge: Complete a thousand steps a day, every day for 10 days!

Non screen activities:

- Keep moving! Make up a dance routine to your favourite song.
- Junk modelling! Collect and recycle materials such as yoghurt pots, toilet rolls and boxes and see what you can create with them.
- Build a reading den. Find somewhere cosy, snuggle up and read your favourite book!
- Can you create a story bag? Find a bag and collect items to go in it that relate to a well known story. If you can't find an item, you could draw a picture to include.
- Write a play script. Can you act it out to other people?
- Draw a map of your local area and highlight interesting landmarks.
- Make a list of all the electrical items in each room of your home. Can you come up with any ideas to use less electricity?
- Design and make an obstacle course at home or in the garden. How fast can you complete it?
- Write a song or rap about your favourite subject.
- Draw a view. Look out of your window and draw what you see.
- Get building! You could build a Lego model, a tower of playing cards or something else!
- Use an old sock to create a puppet. Can you put on a puppet show for someone?
- List making! Write a list of things that make you happy, things you're grateful for or things you are good at.
- Read out loud to someone. Remember to read with expression.
- Start a nature diary. Look out of the window each day and keep note of what you see. Birds, flowers, changes in the weather, what else?
- Design and make a homemade board game and play it with your family.
- Get sketching! Find a photograph or picture of a person, place or object and sketch it.
- Get reading! What would you most like to learn about? Can you find out more about it in books?

As always, stay safe and take care.

Mrs Monks and Mr Lowe

