Spring Term 1

PSHE/RSE

In PSHE, through our 'Dreams and Goals' topic, we will explore how to achieve our hopes and dreams by setting goals, showing determination and working with others. Children will learn how to cope with challenges and disappointment, develop resilience and self-belief, and celebrate success along the way.

English

In English, we will explore myths and adventure stories, using direct speech, inverted commas and a range of sentence structures to make our writing more engaging. Children will also present information about Viking life, take part in discussions and performances, and explain their ideas confidently and respectfully.

Maths

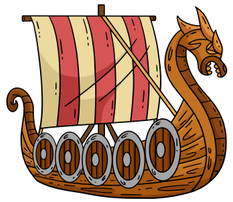
In Maths, we will extend our calculation skills using 4-digit addition and subtraction, develop multiplication fluency and written methods, and deepen our understanding of fractions and decimals. Children will also practise key number facts, including recalling multiplication and division facts for the 6 and 9 times tables.

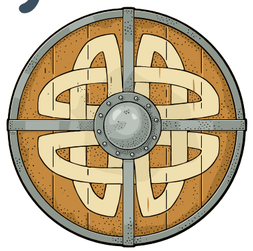
Music

In Music, we will learn and perform The Doot Doot Song, exploring chords, song structure, rhythm and a relaxed swing feel. Children will develop their listening, singing and performance skills while creating and performing musical phrases in an acoustic guitar style.



Year 4 Vikings





Science

In Science, we will explore the three states of matter—solids, liquids and gases—and learn how their particles are arranged. Children will investigate changes of state, including melting, freezing, evaporation and condensation.

PE

In PE, we will develop our skills in hockey and dodgeball, focusing on passing, receiving, throwing, catching, movement and teamwork in a range of games. Children will also take part in swimming lessons, learning key water safety skills and improving their confidence in the water through floating, gliding and different swimming strokes.



Religious Education

In RE, we will explore what Christians believe about Jesus as the Son of God and the promised Messiah. Children will learn about Jesus' parables, miracles and teachings, and consider how his life continues to influence Christians today.



French

In French, we will learn how to talk about our families and describe people using simple vocabulary about facial features and numbers. Children will also explore the French celebration of Epiphany and develop their pronunciation, reading and speaking skills through French phonics.





Art



In Art, we will explore the work of Hokusai, using printing techniques to create layered compositions inspired by his famous wave designs. Children will experiment with line, shape and colour to create depth, movement and texture in their own artwork.

Computing



In Computing, we will develop our programming skills by creating, testing and debugging simple programs. Children will learn how to use sequence, repetition and logical thinking to solve problems and create their own digital projects.

History

In History, we will explore what life was like for the Vikings and how they influenced Britain through raids, settlements and the creation of the Danelaw. Children will learn about key figures such as Alfred the Great and discover how England became a single kingdom, including a one-night residential visit to York and the JORVIK Viking Centre.