

Dear Year 5, Parents & Carers,

Here is our enquiry question for this half term. Please use these ideas to help your research or bring things into class to support your learning.

Have Fun!

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GREENFIELDS  
COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Upper Key Stage 2 ~ Spring II  
CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

**Were the Saxons really smashing?**



As READERS we will:

- Read myths and legends relevant to our topic
- Study Beowulf stories

As AUTHORS we will:

- Write Anglo Saxon riddles also known as Kennings
- Write a biography of Bede - a local monk
- Invent a story based on pictures of artefacts that archaeologists have excavated

As CITIZENS we will:

- Discuss the Pagan religion and research some of the gods and goddesses worshipped by the Anglo Saxons
- Begin to understand how Anglo Saxons contributed to Christian conversion - Canterbury, Iona and Lindisfarne

As HISTORIANS we will:

- Discover who the Anglo Saxons were and where they came from
- Understand how Anglo Saxons influenced us including naming counties and the days of the week
- Look at the daily life of Anglo Saxons including what jobs they did and what clothes they wore
- Put the Anglo Saxons on a timeline alongside the Romans, the Vikings and the Normans
- Research how the Battle of Hastings in 1066 marked the end of the Anglo Saxons in Britain.
- Look at a range of sources and evidence (Sutton Hoo) and assess reliability

As GEOGRAPHERS we will:

- Use maps and atlases to locate where the Anglo Saxons came from and draw their journey
- Identify places on a map of Britain e.g. Edinburgh, West Sussex

As MATHEMATICIANS we will:

- Calculate the distance they travelled to reach Britain
- Use timelines to understand how long ago it was relative to other periods
- Use logic to solve Anglo Saxon Maths problems

As ARTISTS we will:

- Use the Anglo Saxon runes to write our own name and create messages
- Draw sketches of how the Anglo Saxons used to dress and design our own clothes for
- Research the impressive metal work and jewellery made by the Anglo Saxons and design our own
- Look at the artwork still preserved and displayed in modern churches

As DESIGNERS we will:

- Make a model thatched house and combine these as a team to make an Anglo Saxon village