

Year 5
Autumn term
2025

Is calling the Vikings vicious killers and thieves fair?

RE

This term, Y5 will be learning about core Hindu and Islamic beliefs and how these impact on the lives of individuals and build a sense of community. Y5 will have some opportunities to discuss their ideas and thoughts in a Philosophy for Children approach.

History and Geography

Our topic this term centres around the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England. We will be looking closely at key events and individuals during this time period, including the Viking raid on Lindisfarne and the impact of Danelaw. We will also be looking at what life was like in our region at the time of the Vikings.

Science

This term in science, children will be exploring these big questions:

Autumn 1 - How do materials change? How can we reverse changes? What methods can we use? This will involve experiments investigating soluble and insoluble materials.

Autumn 2- Which forces has the greatest effect on a falling object: air resistance or gravity? Focusing on working scientifically and creating investigations on how gravity affects different objects.

Special days

Forest school - Tuesday 16th September 2025
Artist WOW Day - linked to our Vikings topic.
Information about camping coming soon!

Computing

At the beginning of the term, Y5 will be using a range of programmes to practice and develop their coding skills. In addition, Y5 will have the opportunity to create spreadsheets using Excel. Towards the end of the term, Y5 will be exploring how to keep safe on the internet.

PSHE and Values

Y5 will be covering the topic relationships. In this topic, we will be exploring what a healthy/unhealthy relationship might look like, looking at what peer influence is and how to be assertive in different situations

Autumn 1- Honesty
Autumn 2- Love

Art and DT

Autumn 1 - Y5 will be using paint mixed media art to create some quirky portraits.

Autumn 2 - Y5 will be using their observational drawing techniques to look more closely at architecture.
DT - Y5 will be developing knowledge of our Viking topic as well as their cooking skills. They will be designing and making flatbread and learning about unleavened bread and how it is made.

French

Y5 will continue to develop their understanding and application of the French language.

Autumn 1 - revision of the phonetics & members of family
Autumn 2 - Vikings
Children will have the opportunity to apply their French grammar knowledge to a piece of extended writing too.

P.E

Children will be focusing on the personal development strand where they will have the opportunity to set goals for themselves. They will be developing their ball skills and being able to balance with a partner.

The children will also be working with Lincoln City.

Music

Spring 1- Based on the theme of Ancient Egypt, children learn to identify the pitch and rhythm of written notes and experiment with notating their composition.

Spring 2- Children are introduced to this famous genre of music and its history, and learn to identify the key features and mood of Blues music and its importance and purpose

How to help at home:

- Read daily at home
- Support children to complete weekly homework tasks
- Encourage children to keep up with TTR
- Test children on their spellings and any learn its
- Support children to parts of the project homework
- Keep an eye on Twitter for class news and events