



Linked learning theme: Village Settlers

Spring term, Year 4

History – Anglo Saxons

Prior knowledge

In Y3, children learned about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.

Core knowledge

- After the Romans withdrew from Britain, the Anglo Saxons came here from across the North Sea.
- The Anglo Saxons built their own villages and settled across England.
- Much of what we know about the Anglo Saxons comes from archaeological finds such as those found at Sutton Hoo and writing like that of St Bede.
- When the Anglo Saxons arrived in Britain they had pagan beliefs but were later converted to Christianity.
- Anglo Saxon England was not one country but several small kingdoms ruled by different kings.

Key skills

- Place the Anglo Saxons and Vikings within a chronological framework.
- Use historical terms and dates appropriately.
- Respond to historical questions.
- Describe some of the main events during the Anglo Saxon and Viking periods.
- Use information from different sources– e.g. pictures of archaeological evidence, books, maps – to find out about the Anglo Saxons.
- Talk about reasons and consequences when considering historical events.
- Show some understanding that the past has been represented in different ways.

Vocabulary

Anglo Saxon	invade	pagan	change
archaeology	settle	Christianity	cause
excavate	settlement	significance	similarity
evidence	kingdoms	consequence	difference
period	resistance		

Learning Outcomes

- I know that the past can be divided into different periods of time.
- I can describe some of the main events, people and changes in history.
- I can respond to historical questions.
- I understand that aspects of the past have been represented in different ways.
- I can use information from different sources to find out about a historical period.
- I make appropriate use of historical dates and terms in my work.