

**Curriculum  
News**

**Year 3/4**

# IVY CHIMNEYS

**Spring Term 2019**

**Happy New Year!**

## **Invaders & Settlers: Vicious Vikings and Smashing Saxons and**

### **COMING UP THIS TERM**

<b>Viking Day (in school)</b>	<b>10th Jan</b>
<b>Hornbeam assembly</b>	<b>25th Jan</b>
<b>Plane Assembly</b>	<b>15th Feb</b>
<b>World Book Day</b>	<b>7th March</b>
<b>Rowan Assembly</b>	<b>15th March</b>
<b>Mothers' Day event</b>	<b>29th March</b>
<b>Production</b>	<b>2nd April</b>

This term, year 3 and 4 will be learning all about the Saxons and Vikings. We begin this topic with an exciting enrichment day in school! Throughout the term, the children will get a sense of when, where and how the Vikings and Saxons lived. They will be discovering what it would have been like to be a Viking or Saxon; finding out about the past through a variety of sources such as books, the internet and artefacts.

In English, we will be studying a range of genres including instructions, non-chronological reports, poetry, play-scripts and narrative. This will be linked to our topic wherever possible.



In maths, we will continue to use the White Rose maths mastery approach to deliver the curriculum. This term, the main foci will be multiplication, division and fractions.



In Art and DT we will be sketching and creating Viking art and artefacts such as shields and long boats.

In science we will be learning about electricity, how it works and its real life applications.

In PE, our coach, Luke, will continue to develop the skills of agility, strength and speed as well as teaching skills for team games. Children will also be learning various aspects of dance in conjunction with our production.

In computing, we will be developing skills in blogging! Details of how to follow our blog will follow!

A major focus of the second half term will be the Spring production. Here children will build skills in performing on the stage, group and solo singing, dance and movement as well as using play scripts effectively and the discipline of rehearsing and performing. Children will also have the opportunity to build and design props, set and costume.

In RE we will be studying the Buddhist religion; how it was founded and the main teachings and practice.



### **HOMEWORK**

- Read regularly at home to an adult
- Learn weekly spellings
- Practise times tables
- Weekly Mathletics activities set online
- Fortnightly Brain Builder tasks