

Interesting ways to support learning at home.

Have a look at information about the Anglo Saxons online.

<https://www.britishmuseum.org/learn/schools/ages-7-11/ancient-britain/visit-resource-anglo-saxons>

Help your children to understand Timelines. How many years ago did the Anglo Saxons invade Britain? Who was there before and who came after?

What was it like to live in an Anglo Saxon village?

HOW ELSE CAN MY PARENT HELP ME?

Please take a look at our website and in particular the [Home Learning page](#) where you will find useful websites and spelling resources to support your child's learning at home.

Reading: We would encourage children to read for pleasure as much as possible. We allow children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) to choose their own reading books. However, we will always ensure that each child has chosen a book with a suitable level of challenge. We expect all children to be reading independently or to an adult for at least 20 minutes 4 times a week.

Maths: 'Times Table Rockstars' is a fun, free interactive game online which can be accessed via our school website. All the children have a school log- in which they can use at home. The children should understand how it works. Please encourage your child to play in their spare time, as times tables recall is an essential skill that will help them across the maths curriculum. Children in Year 4 will be sitting a national Times Table Test in the summer term and TT Rockstars is excellent preparation for this.

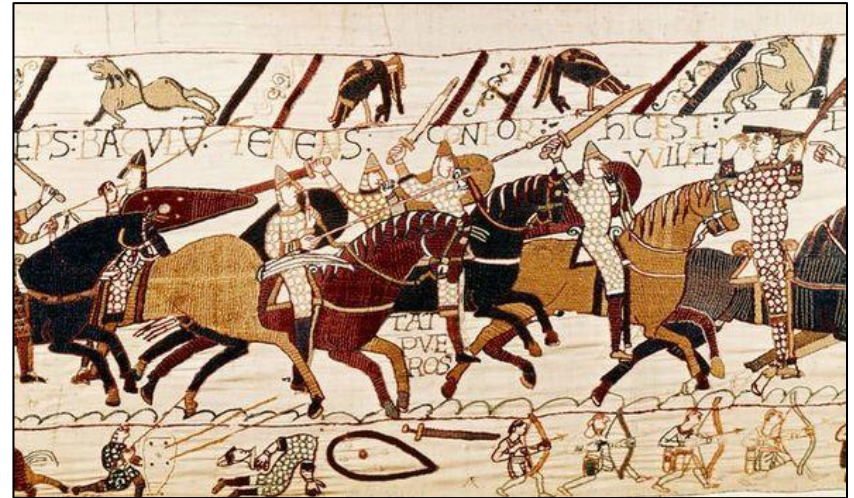


<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>



All Change!

Lower Key Stage 2 Team



TOPIC OVERVIEW TERM 1

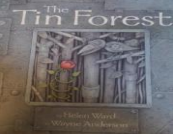
Welcome back!

It was fantastic to see all our Harriers, Goshawks and Panthers return to school so positively.

Our whole school topic this term is All Change. In lower key stage 2 we will be looking at the Anglo Saxons and considering how they changed life in Britain. The children will be given the opportunity to think about what it would have been like to be an Anglo Saxon Invader and why they chose to settle in Britain.

Regards
Year 3 /4 team.

THIS TERM, YOU WILL LEARN...

English 	<p>The Tin Forest – Investigating descriptive language to make our setting descriptions more interesting.</p> <p>Beowulf – Using descriptive language to writing setting and character descriptions.</p> <p>Whole class reading- Using the VIPERS model to ask and answer questions about texts and film clips.</p>
Maths	<p>Children in Years 3 and 4 will have separate maths sessions daily. Year 3 will be focusing on addition and subtraction strategies and numbers to 1000. Year 4 will be focusing on addition, subtraction and numbers to 10,000.</p>
Science	<p>Animals and nutrition Components of a balanced diet Skeletons</p>
Design & Technology	<p>Weaving – Anglo Saxon links</p>
History	<p>Understanding chronology through time. Children will explore who the Anglo Saxons were, why they came and what life was like for them over the course of the term. They will be answering the question “What effect did the Anglo-Saxons have on the culture and history of England?”</p>
PE	<p>OAA Team Building / Football Netball</p>
French	<p>Greetings, where I live, around town, at school.</p>
Music	<p>Charranga – time signatures</p>
RSHE/KIVA	<p>Respect & School Values KIVA</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Let’s get to know each other! 2. Emotions 3. Our class – everyone is included! 4. Difference is richness
RE	<p>Big Question: What do different sacred texts teach about life and how do they influence people differently?</p>



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THIS TERM

PE:

Please could you ensure that children come to school wearing their PE kit on their PE days which are:

- Miss Addison's class (Panthers) will have PE on a Monday and a Thursday.
- Mrs Hellawell's class (Harriers) and Mrs Parr/Mrs Jordan's class (Goshawks) will have PE on a Tuesday and a Thursday.

PE kits should include:

- A plain white top / house top (summer)
- Plain black or navy joggers / shorts
- A school rugby top (winter) – these are a new addition to our PE uniform and are available from ‘Make It Mine’, our school uniform shop. Alternatively a black or navy jumper (no hoodies).
- Sports trainers (can be same as those worn to school, if dark coloured)

Please make sure that all school uniform items (including PE kits) are clearly labelled.

Snacks:

We would encourage you to send your child in with a healthy snack (fruit or cheese) that can be eaten at playtime. It is also important that your child brings a water bottle to school each day.

Mornings/ End of Day:

The school day starts at **8:40 am**. Goshawks and Panthers should wait on the main playground until the whistle is blown and Harriers should wait by the fire exit off the library. **At 3:20 pm**, all classes will be dismissed from the same locations. If your child has a play date or is being collected by someone else, please inform the office.

A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

We are very excited about getting to know our new classes and learning all about the Anglo Saxons.

We are happy to speak to you about any concerns you may have so please email or telephone the school office parents@cholsey.oxon.sch.uk and we will get back to you – most likely at the end of the school day (unless urgent). The school office can also pass any messages to us at the start of the day.