

Year 4 - Spring Term 2 2023 - Anglo Saxons

Important facts to know by the end of this topic:

- The Anglo-Saxon age in Britain was from around AD410 to 1066. They were a mix of tribes from **Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands**.
- The three biggest were the Angles, the Saxons and the Jutes. The land they settled in was 'Angle-land', or England.
- By 900 AD they had established five powerful kingdoms (Wessex, Mercia, East Anglia, Kent and Northumbria)
- Life for people in Anglo-Saxon England was very much dependent on their position in society.
- During the Anglo-Saxon time, the Isle of Wight was called 'Wihtwara' named after Wihtgar, an early Anglo Saxon King, and was part of Wessex.

Key Skills

- To explain how an event from the past has shaped our life today.
- To explain how historic items and artefacts can be used to help build a picture of life in the past.
- To describe how a significant person from the past has shaped our lives today - King Alfred
- To explain how the lives of wealthy people were different to the lives of poor people.



Key Vocabulary

Era - a distinctive period in history

Invasion - a hostile entry by an armed force into a country's territory, especially with the intention of conquering it

Raid - a sudden attack made by soldiers, aircraft, police, bandits, or any other force in an attempt to seize or destroy something

Chronology - the order in which events occur

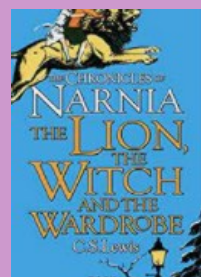
Culture - the beliefs, customs, practices, and social behaviour of a particular nation or people

Primary sources of evidence - provides direct or first hand evidence about an event, object, person, or work of art

Our English this half term!

We are studying the classic C.S. Lewis novel - The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Children will write recounts of events from another character's point of view, which will lead to them writing their memoir in our first journey. In the second writing journey, they will work towards retelling the story, which requires a lot of skills and knowledge of the text. To make this learning fun, children will have participated in drama activities to help them get to know the characters even more.

This term's exciting books!



Our Maths this half term!

This half term children will be building on their previously gained knowledge of times tables facts to calculate length and perimeter, then to work with fractions. This will link to decimal numbers and money, so it's essential that children learn their times tables by heart.

Our PE this Half Term - Focus: Cricket

Children will learn the skills of batting, bowling, fielding, wicket keeping and running.

PE is on a Tuesday and all children should come to school wearing their Nine Acres PE Kit.



Our Religious Education and World Views this Half Term

We are learning about the concept of rituals. Children will learn about what rituals are and how they are different from routines. Children will reflect about their own rituals in their lives and learn about what Christian rituals exist and what their importance are.



How can you help at home?

Reading - Please encourage the children to read, read and read - and also record it in the Go Read app so we can see their comments.

Maths - Times tables - our aim is for all children to receive all of their times tables badges by the end of Year Four up to x12. We will be taking the National Statutory Multiplication Check in June 2023.

Homework - will be given out on Wednesdays and will need to be returned by the following Wednesday please.

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 2nd March 2023 - World Book Day.

Friday 10th March 2023 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

Mon 13th March 2023 - British Science Week.

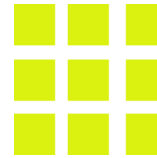
Fri 31st March 2023 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Thurs 30th March 2023 - Space Camp (TBC).

Mon 3rd April - Fri 14th April 2023 - **EASTER BREAK.**

Mon 1st May 2023 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.

Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd June 2023 - **HALF TERM.**



Nine Acres Primary School Spring Term 2 2023

Year 4 Team

Miss Fry



Miss Bekesi



Mrs Hodgson



Mr Carr



Miss McDonald



Dear Families,

We are halfway through the year already, hard to believe how quickly time flies! It's so important for the children's progress that we continue to have high expectations from them to carry on applying what they already know and gain new skills and knowledge, ready for Year 5.

Please reinforce expectations at home regarding reading, learning and practicing times tables facts and completing homework on time.

We look forward to seeing you at Parents' Evenings so we can share your children's progress with you.

With thanks,

The Year 4 Team.



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