



# Courtney Primary - Topic Sheet- Who were the Vikings?

### Term 6 – Year 3 – Miss Ford

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### What is this topic sheet for?

This sheet shows you the topics your child is covering this term and gives you ideas and ways you can help your child at home. The library is always a good starting point and the internet has many great sites. If you visit <a href="www.courtneyprimaryschool.co.uk">www.courtneyprimaryschool.co.uk</a> and click on the 'Links' section, you will find useful websites listed there.



We have a very exciting term ahead of us for writing! All our texts will be based on the Vikings and we will be re-visiting some of the skills that we have learnt this year to use in our work. We will also be focussing on including the Year 3/4 spellings in our writing.

The first week of term we will be creating our very own poem based on Kit Wright's *The Magic Box* but instead ours will be *The Viking Ship*.

We will then move onto our non-fiction unit where we will be writing newspaper reports about a terrifying dragon that has been spotted flying over Courtney Primary School.

Finally, we will be looking at the book *How to Train your Dragon* and will be writing our own stories based on this text.

#### **Maths**

This term we will be looking at:

### **Properties of Shapes**

- Recognise angles as a property of shape or a description of a turn.
- Identify right angles, recognise that two right angles make a half-turn, three make three quarters of a turn and four a complete turn; identify whether angles are greater than or less than a right angle.
- Identify horizontal and vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines.
- Draw 2-D shapes and make 3-D shapes using modelling materials.
- Recognise 3-D shapes in different orientations and describe them.

### **Mass and Capacity**

 Measure, compare, add and subtract: lengths (m/cm/mm); mass (kg/g); volume/capacity (l/ml)

We will then use the remaining time to re-visit anything we have found tricky this year ready for Year 4.

## Computing

This term we will be using the iPads and laptops to help us learn even more about the Vikings through our own research. This will help us to design our own Viking shields and look at Viking flags and to learn more about their Gods and way of life.



### **History**

In history this term we will be learning all about the Vikings! We will look at-

- Viking writing
- Viking weapons
- Viking warriors
- Viking King and Queens
- Viking Gods
- Where they came from and where they travelled
- Viking ships

All our wonderful work will be shared with the rest of the school and our parents during our joint assembly with Year 4!

### <u>Science</u>

This term's topic is all about plants!

The children will learn to:

- identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants
- explore what plants need in order to live and grow
- investigate the way in which water travels around a plant
- explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants



### <u>RE</u>

Our key question: Why do some people think that life is like a journey and what significant experiences mark this?

To explore this topic further, we will be describing what happens in Christian, Jewish, and Hindu ceremonies of commitment.



### Art & DT

This term we will be designing our own Viking shields following our research lesson. We will then make these out of cards and paint them. We will also be drawing our own Viking Gods and dragons!



#### PI

This term, the children will continue their work with the Real PE scheme on Wednesdays with Mr Smith and will be practising for Sport's Day on Fridays with Miss Ford.

Please can the children have their PE in school on these days as they are not allowed to take part without it.