

Traders, Raiders and Invaders

Home Learning Ideas

Year 4
Autumn 1



Below are some ideas based around our new topic. Please read the ideas to your child and let them choose which activities they would like to complete at home with you or on their own. Try to complete at least 2 activities and make sure you bring your home learning in throughout the half term so that it can be displayed.

Topic

- Look at images of Anglo-Saxon coins. Can you design a coin? You could draw a picture or use modelling clay or other materials to make your coin look like metal – use your imagination!
- Do some research about Viking names and their meanings, and make up some suitable Viking names for your friends and family.
- Find out more about the runic alphabet used by the Vikings. Write a short message using the runic characters. Vikings wrote on wood, bone and stone. What will you use?
- Create your own Viking Longship to raid and invade other countries. Can it float on water?
- Look at animals in Viking art. Can you design and draw an imaginary beast to make a fantastic pattern?
- Look at King Alfred's pledge: 'I desired to live worthily as long as I lived, and to leave after my life, to the men who should come after me, the memory of me in good works'. Write a pledge – how would you like to be remembered in the future?

Science

- What solids and liquids can you find in your home? Go on a hunt and take some pictures or create your own poster.
- Create some 'oobleck'. Is it a solid or is it a liquid? Have fun with it and take some pictures.
- Explore the best place to dry washing at home: radiator, airing cupboard, balcony, washing line. Alternatively, they could research which is the most environmentally friendly way to dry clothes: air drying outside, in a tumble dryer, next to a dehumidifier