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# YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER



This term our topic is 'The Vikings', and where possible our work in class will link to this.

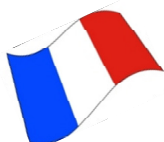
**Maths:** we will be concentrating on mastering different calculation methods, including column addition/subtraction, expanded multiplication, and chunking.

**English:** We will be writing stories with historical settings, information texts, stories with dilemmas, and myths. We will cover lots of grammar work too, including fronted adverbials and clauses.

**RE:** we will be learning about Passover, and how this is observed.

**Science:** our topic is Animals, including humans. We will be looking at our digestive system, different types of teeth, and food chains.

**French:** we will be learning to talk about our birthdays.



**PE:** our sports coaching continues each week with Dan, and we will be swimming on Fridays too.

**Computing**—we will be writing a wiki about our topic using Purple Mash.

**Art and design**—the children will be exploring printing techniques using different media.



**Topic**— we will be learning all about how the Vikings lived and fought. The children will learn about Norse mythology, and explore place names in our region that have Viking connections. To enrich our topic we'll be having a visit from Bjarny the Viking (Monday January 30th), who will spend the day with children exploring weapons, fighting formations, Viking games, and artefacts. The children will get to strike a coin to help them remember the day.