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5<sup>th</sup> July 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware, at Bloxwich Academy Primary, we utilise the Cornerstones Curriculum to impart and embed learning through fun and stimulating themes. We are thrilled to announce an exciting and memorable experience day that we have planned for your **Year 4** child to kick off their new history topic in September.

To bring the past to life, on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September we will be immersing ourselves in the world of the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons**. The day promises to be an engaging and educational adventure, allowing the children to step into the shoes of these ancient cultures.

To fully embrace the Viking and Anglo-Saxon spirit, we encourage all children to dress up in traditional Viking or Anglo-Saxon attire. This will enhance the immersive experience and allow them to truly feel like they are part of this historical era. We really don't want parents to be out of pocket, so please let your creative side out and use anything you have at hand. There are some great pages online that will help and the below pages may be useful, too: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ypz3fmds">https://tinyurl.com/ypz3fmds</a>
<a href="https://tinyurl.com/5bm58a37">https://tinyurl.com/5bm58a37</a>

During the day, the children will have the opportunity to engage in various hands-on activities. They will have the chance to create Viking runes using clay, and design and construct buoyant Viking longships before putting them to the ultimate test - determining whether they float or sink. This exciting experiment will involve problem-solving and critical thinking as the children apply their knowledge of materials and buoyancy.

In addition, we will delve into the world of Viking warfare by creating Viking battle shields. The children will learn about the significance of shields in battles and the symbolism associated with them.

We cannot wait to get started, and look forward to seeing children unleash their creativity and fully embracing the next stage of their educational journey.

Yours sincerely,

Ms S Shepherd Headteacher









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