

KEY SUBJECT VOCABULARY

Influential People Y4

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

HISTORY - The Vikings

IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE (Five Finger Facts)

Scandinavia	a region in northern Europe. It usually includes the countries of Norway, Sweden, and Denmark.	The Vikings came by sea from Scandinavia
thatched	straw, palm leaves, or other dried plant material used as a roof covering.	The Vikings came to raid the monasteries but found rich lands to farm.
longboat	is a type of boat that was used a long time ago, especially by the Vikings.	The Anglo Saxons were led by King Alfred the Great, who fought some Vikings but then agreed to all live in peace.
Monastery	special places where monks live together.	Small villages became large Viking towns (such as York) which became important places for trade and the manufacture of goods to sell.
Norse	having to do with ancient Scandinavia, its people or languages.	When Edward Confessor died, Britain was conquered by the Normans.



SCIENCE - Human Digestive System, including Teeth

IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE (Five Finger Facts)

Digestive system	to break down the food we eat into smaller pieces so that our bodies can absorb the nutrients from the food to help us grow and stay health	Humans have three different kinds of teeth - canines, molars and incisors.
Canines	a pointed tooth between the front teeth and molars of many mammals.	Different types of teeth have different functions but they work together to break down food.
Molars	large tooth located in the back of the mouth.	The main body parts in the digestive system are mouth, tongue, teeth, oesophagus, stomach and intestine
Incisors	one of the four sharp teeth located between the canines in each jaw at the front of the mouth.	From the stomach, food moves to the intestine where digested nutrients are absorbed.
Nutrients	something in food that helps people, animals, and plants live and grow.	Undigested food travels through the body and leaves through faeces.

Topic Launch

8th January - creating longboats, sorting artefacts and completing an Anglo Saxon army drill!

Theme Days:

Month of Reading Madness
Jan 2026
Safer Internet Day
10th Feb
Tell a Fairy Tale Day 26th Feb
World Book Day
5th March
Science Week
6th - 15th March

RE - Why is Easter important to Christians?

IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE (Five Finger Facts)

Resurrection	rising from the dead, as Christians believe Jesus did.	Easter is a Christian festival that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus.
The Last Supper	the final meal Jesus shared with his disciples.	On Palm Sunday Jesus knew he was going to die so used a special meal (The Last Supper) to help his disciples understand what he was doing.
Crucifixion -	the death of Jesus on the cross.	On the Friday before Easter Sunday, (Good Friday) Christians commemorate the crucifixion of Jesus.
Heaven -	the place Christians believe they go to be with God after death.	Christians believe that when you die, life continues with God in Heaven and this is proven by Jesus' resurrection.
Messiah -	a title for Jesus meaning 'Anointed One'.	Holy Week is a time when Christians remember that Jesus was sent to Earth as the Messiah, which means 'Anointed One.'

March 26th Year 3&4 school trip to The Yorkshire Museum - Time Odessey (focus on Vikings)