

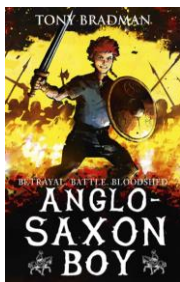
Dear Parents and Carers,

Hello. We'd like to welcome you to Year 4. This letter is just to give you an insight to your child's time in school.



We will be learning about Invaders in our topic. Our curriculum takes the form of mini projects which really allows us to look at the subject in depth. This topic takes us from the Romans retreat from Britain in AD410 up to the Norman invasion of 1066. We will be studying the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings. We hope the children will be captivated by the challenges of the mini projects and are looking forward to our new topic.

This half term we will be teaching the children the look, run, avoid and react, roll, retrieve from our Beyond the Physical scheme; they will need to come in their P.E. kits on **Tuesdays and Fridays**.



In English we will be reading 'Anglo-Saxon Boy' by Tony Bradman. We will be improving our reading and comprehension skills. In writing we will be writing diaries and a 5-part story.

Reading books should be in school every day but will be changed on a Friday.

In Maths we will be learning place value before moving on to addition and subtraction. Where possible, we will be setting some revision homework from the previous year and then once we have taught some of the topic so that the children are more confident. We will also be concentrating on times tables in preparation for the multiplication check which takes place at the end of year 4. Please encourage your children to log into TTRockstars regularly which reflect the tests. Even 5 minutes now and again will really help their progress.



In PSE, we will be learning about how to treat each other with respect, considering the challenges that different people face and how we can make it easier for them.

In Science, we will be studying sound. This project teaches children about sound, how sound is made and how sound travels as vibrations through a medium to the ear. They learn about pitch and volume and find out how both can be changed.

We will continue to use our music platform, Charanga, to learn the music of Abba but in particular, Mamma Mia.

In RE we will be learning about how Jews practice their belief whilst in art and design we will be studying warm and cool colours. We will also begin to build our French vocabulary.

Thank you in anticipation for all your help and support. We are already looking forward to an exciting year with lots of interesting topics to discover. Please contact us through the Year 4 email - year4@stthomas.org.uk - should you have any queries or concerns or speak to us on playground at the end of the day.

Mr Randviir, Mrs Washington and Mrs Nichols 😊