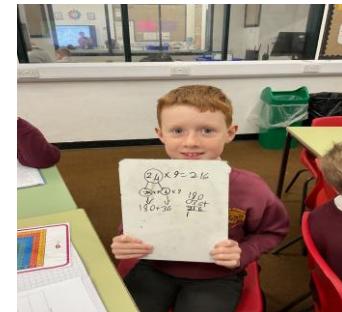
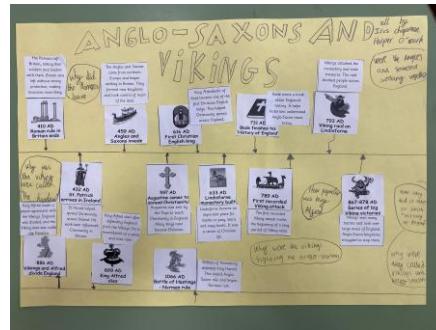




# Year 4 News

## 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026



### What we've been learning recently

**English** – We began our learning this term by reading the tale Bjorn and Fenrir in which Bjorn, a young Viking boy, must save his village from the monster Fenrir with the help of a mysterious old man who gives him a golden rope. Last week, we explored how the writer builds tension and atmosphere. We are now in the “invent” phase of our learning journey, and are writing our own backstories for the old man.

**Maths** – In maths, we have been learning about multiplication and division. We are working hard on becoming secure with our times table facts up to 12x12 and have been investigating the 3s, 6s and 9s to spot patterns and understand links between the tables. We have also had lots of practice using arrays to show the commutativity rule (if  $3 \times 5 = 15$  then  $5 \times 3 = 15$ ) and spot inverse operations (if I know 3 times 5 = 15, then I know that 15 divided by 5 = 3)

**Wider Curriculum** – Our history topic began with a Viking Explorers afternoon where we made longships, shields and bracelets. We were able to recall lots of our Year 3 about the Romans and the Celts, placing this knowledge on a timeline and working out that the Anglo Saxons and the Vikings were in Britain after the Romans left. In Art, we have been learning about proportion and have produced detailed sketches of the human body using “good” proportions and “bad” proportions. In P.E., we are starting a unit on fitness and have completed baseline fitness tests.

### Over the next fortnight we will be...

- Reciting the story Goldilocks in French
- Writing and performing poetry in English
- Finding out what life was like in Anglo-Saxon times
- Thinking about how to be more resilient in PSHE
- Investigating patterns in the 7 and 12 x tables in Maths
- Learning an anti-bullying rap in Music

### Important Notices

#### Home Learning



Times tables



Hit the button (quick fire Maths questions)

**PE Day** – Tuesdays

**Reading** – All children should be bringing a book home. Please ensure your child is reading this regularly.

### Shining Stars

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from the last two weeks for demonstrating our school values.

**4B** – Evie and Noah W (a super start to the year)  
Brodie and Ellie (determination and perseverance)

**4W** – Caden and Darcy (a super start to the year)  
Skyla and Noah D (determination and perseverance)

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