

Topic Plan

Year 4		
Norse Invaders		
Key Skills	Key Facts	Key Vocabulary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was life like for Vikings? • When did the Vikings attack Britain? • Where did the Vikings invade and settle? • Why were the Vikings so feared and successful? • What peace was agreed between the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings? • Why did the Normans and Vikings both think they had the right to the throne of England? • Who were the Viking Gods? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Vikings originated in Scandinavia. • The Vikings were more than just ferocious raiders. They were also skilled farmers, explorers, craftspeople and seafarers. • The Vikings invaded and settled in Britain as well as Normandy in France. • The prospect of improved lands and better natural resources pulled the Vikings towards Britain. • The Vikings and Anglo-Saxons fought, lost and won various battles in the struggle for the kingdom of England. 	<p>Repelled - forced back to stop an attack.</p> <p>Tapestry - a piece of cloth with a picture created by weaving or sewing</p> <p>Confessor - someone who has born witness to their religious faith by their life.</p> <p>Fjord - a long, narrow, deep inlet of the sea between high cliffs.</p> <p>Legend - a traditional story regarded as historical but not verified.</p>
Key Figures/Places	Reading and Writing Links	
<p>Alfred the Great – King of the West Saxons</p> <p>Edward the Confessor - an Anglo Saxon King</p> <p>Cnut the Great - The Viking king, Cnut the Great reigned for over 19 years.</p> <p>King Guthrum – leader of a major invasion.</p>	<p>Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd Stanton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Writing a recount - Narrative myth writing. - Finding out about the characters - Exploring the setting. 	