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Dear Parent/Carer (Year 5)

Year 5 Anglo Saxon/Viking Day – Wednesday 6th March 2024



In connection with their history topic, the Year 5 children will take part in an 'Anglo Saxon/Viking Day' at school on **Wednesday 6th March 2024**. By participating in this activity, the children will gain historical knowledge and understanding of Anglo Saxon/Viking daily life through first-hand experience.

A costumed member of the living history team, from Hands on History, will visit us to run a whole day of activity sessions related to the Anglo Saxons and Vikings. These activities will include:

- where the Anglo Saxons came from and their clothes
- investigating a range of artefacts, discussion to try and identify objects and their use, recording observations through drawings
- life in Saxon Houses – viewing models with a work sheet showing a plan view
- a game from the period
- making a souvenir leather key ring; learning about runes
- who were the Vikings, materials, clothes
- the Vikings as Traders
- the Vikings as Raiders
- investigating developments in helmets and swords
- demonstration of a shield, axe, spear and a range of armour



A voluntary contribution of £7.25 per child to help cover cost of this activity day would be gratefully received. This is now available on the [ParentPay](#) website for you to pay online in the usual way. As you are now able to give consent on [ParentPay](#), you no longer need to return a paper permission slip to school. Should you require a paper permission slip, please contact the School Office.

As I am sure you can appreciate, the visit would not be economically viable and therefore could not take place should these contributions fail to materialise. However, our policy is that no student should be discriminated against by virtue of their inability to pay. Parents in receipt of Income Support or a similar benefit should contact us in the knowledge that the matter will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

Should you wish your child to take part, please log onto [ParentPay](#) to give your consent/make payment before Monday 4th March 2024.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson
Head of School

On behalf of the Year 5 Team