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Friday 9th January 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

Year 5 - Viking Workshop

Our history topic has been 'The Vikings'. We have found out a whole host of exciting facts about this fascinating period of our history! To close our topic, we have asked '*Portals to the Past*' to provide Year 5 with an interactive and educational Viking workshop. The children will learn about what life was like in Viking times considering home life, religion, work, battle and food. They will see a variety of artefacts and even get to try some on!

Additionally, to allow the children to enter into the spirit of being a Viking for the day, we would like to ask all children to dress up in a Viking style outfit. We do not expect any expense to be made on costumes. If the Anglo-Saxon outfit from the Year 4 workshop still fits, they can wear that. Your child could also wear jeans with a shirt and be an archaeologist. We appreciate that coming into school dressed up may not be possible, if so, please ensure your child wears their usual school uniform as it is still a normal school day.

We do ask that under no circumstances are any swords or axes (cardboard or not) brought into school as part of an outfit. We thank you for understanding this issue.

This will take place in school, during the day on **Friday 6th February 2026**. The PTFA have kindly covered 40% of this cost, therefore we would like to ask you for a non-refundable voluntary contribution of **£4.35** per child.

Please be aware that if we do not receive enough contributions then this workshop will be cancelled and all monies paid refunded.

This is payable on School Gateway, our preferred method of payment. Permission to attend this workshop can also be given on School Gateway so there is no need to complete a separate permission slip. **Please make payment by Friday 30th January 2026.**

If you are in receipt of Benefit Related Free School Meals, then the school will meet the full cost of this workshop. Please contact the school via email or message on School Gateway confirming that your child is eligible and give consent for your child to attend this workshop.

If you require financial support, then please contact the school for a Financial Support Request Form.

If you have any questions, then please speak to one of us.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Vincent (Osprey Class) and Mr Gonzalez (Buzzard Class)

