

27th February 2019

Dear Year 3 and 4 Parents/ Carers

'History-off-the-page' Viking Day for Years 3 & 4 - Thursday 4th April 2019

As a way of providing your child with the best opportunity to find out about Life in Viking Britain, we have arranged for *History Off the Page* to spend the day with us on Thursday 4th April.

On this day your child will, through role-play, experience life as it would have been living in the year 878 AD at the time of the Battle of Edington, using authentic tools and materials whenever possible to learn skills as apprentices in a wide variety of workshops. As the day progresses, the children will get involved in the issues of the time, with the chance to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities. By the end of the day they will have a really good idea of how it felt like to be a Viking as well as having some artefacts they have created to bring home. There will also be a story-telling session.

All children will need a simple costume to ensure the day works as intended and so that they really feel part of the day. Pupils should **not** include weapons or helmets as part of their costume. Please refer to the separate sheet for guidance on costume. Please note that Year 4 will need this costume for their class assembly on Thursday 21st March. Both Year 3 and 4 will need costumes for the Viking Day on Thursday 4th April.

For the day to work successfully we will need a number of adult helpers on the day. Even if you can only join us for the morning or afternoon, please let us know as parental support is vital for the day to work as intended. Parental volunteers will be given a full briefing by the History off the page staff between 8.50am and 9.15am and tasks involve nothing scarier than supervising a small group of children (about 6) at a table activity. If you are able to help, please join us and see for yourself the value of the day!

We are asking parents/carers for a voluntary contribution of £9.20 for the day. Please remember we do rely on enough parents making the contribution to be able to fund the event (if we do not receive enough voluntary contributions we will have to cancel the event). Please complete and sign the slip below and return it to the school office together with your payment, by Friday 8th March 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Leach
Year 4 Teacher

Mr N. Nilsson
Year 3 Teacher

What to Wear

Costumes need not be complicated :

Boys: A simple belted tunic, with or without sleeves; a cloak fastened on a right shoulder with a brooch (optional); trousers, either tucked into long socks or with sting or braid crossed round the lower legs; boots or old leather laced shoes.

Girls: AA long dress, skirt and blouse or tabard; headscarf; A cloak (mantle), fastened on the right shoulder with a brooch (optional).

Please complete and return the slip below, with any payment to the school office by Friday 8th March 2019.

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Child's Name				
I have enclosed a voluntary contribution of £9.20 to cover the cost of this event	Cheque		Cash	
I can volunteer to help at the event				
Name				
Signed		Date		