**St Mary’s C of E Primary School, Writhlington**

‘Inspiring Learning Together’

**Scheme of Work + Knowlegde Organiser**

**The Learning Journey:**

 What was Britain like before the first Viking invasion?

* A recap of the Anglo-Saxons from year 3 and a refresher on what Britain was like before the Vikings.

What was the first Viking invasion like?

* Look at newspaper articles about a Viking invasion can they discover what happened and what it was like.

Why did the Vikings decide to settle in Britain?

* Children will learn about reasons behind settling in other countries, they will produce a timeline of all the key Viking invasions.

Why was King Alfred so ‘Great’?

* Children to gather together facts about King Alfred and create an argument for a debate about whether Alfred was great or not.

What was life like for Vikings living in Britain?

* Look at what life was like in Viking Britain can they compare and contrast changes from Anglo-Saxon life.

Do I know how England became a unified country?

* Children to discuss the key events that lead to a unified Britain.

What happened at the end of the Viking Era?

* Exploring the key events of 1066.

**National curriculum:**

The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the kingdom of England to the time of Edward the confessor.

* Viking raids and invasions
* Resistance by Alfred the Great
* Edward the confessor and his death in 1066

**Wider Curriculum** (Cooking, trips, outdoor):

Kilve court/greatwood residential

**Key Vocabulary:**

**Alfred the Great – the youngest king of Wessex**

**Battlefield – a piece of ground which a battle is or was fought**

**Brutality – savage physical violence**

**Conquest – invasion and control gained over a place by force**

**Empire – an extensive group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch**

**Helmet – a hard or padded protective hat.**

**Invader – someone who enters the country with violence and force**

**Pillage – to rob a place using violence, especially to rob a place using violence, especially in wartime**

**Plunder – steal goods from a place or person**

 **Raids – a surprise attack**

**Settler – someone who moves and stays in another country for an important reason, e.g safety.**

**Succession – the next person to be king after the current one.**

**Vikings – Scandinavian seafaring pirates and traders who raided the north of Europe**

**Voyage – a long journey involving travel by sea.**

**Warfare – engagement in activities that involve war or conflict**

**Picture or illustration:** 

Vicious Vikings