



Year 4

Subject: History

Topic: Vikings

## What should I know already?

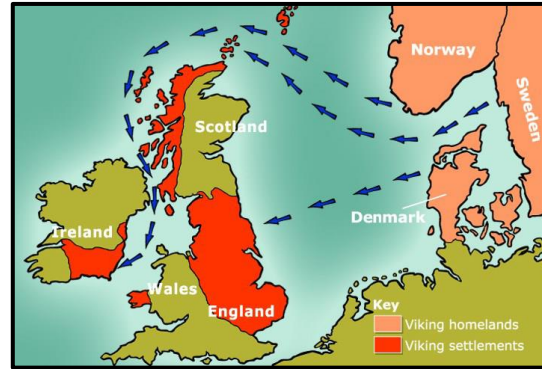
- Britain is made up of different people who has throughout history come here to either settle or invade.
- The Romans were amongst the first groups of people to invade Britain in 43 AD and stayed until 410 AD.
- The Seven Kingdoms of Anglo-Saxons were established in 556 AD.

## Diagrams

Viking Helmet



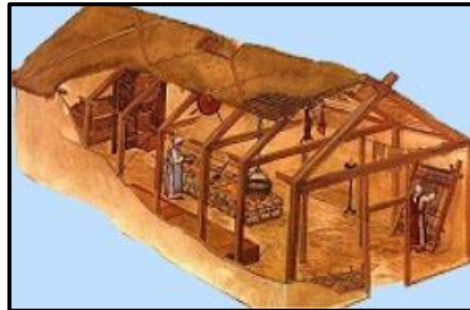
Viking migration



Viking Longboat



Viking House



The Bayeux Tapestry



## Vocabulary

- Bayeux Tapestry**- a woven tapestry which tells the story of the Battle of Hastings
- Chieftain** – The leader of a village or small group of people
- Danelaw** – The area of England ruled by the Vikings
- Freeman** – A person who is not a slave and free to choose who he or she worked for
- Longship** – A Viking ship with a sail and oars, also called a dragon-ship
- Monastery** – The building where monks live
- Pagan** – A person who believed in many gods
- Runes** – The name given to the Viking alphabet
- Thatched** – A roof covered in straw
- Trader** – A person who sells goods

## Things I need to know

Viking homelands were from Scandinavia.

Kings in Britain tried to resist the Viking invasion resulting in many battles.

In 886 AD Danelaw was established with The Saxons retaining the west, while the east was to be Viking territory where the English and Vikings were equal in law.

## People and Places

- King Alfred** – King of Wessex from 871 to 899, defended Wessex from the Viking conquest
- Athelstan** – First King to unite English kingdoms, 927
- Guthrum** – King of the Vikings in Danelaw at the time of the treaty with the Saxons
- King Cnut** – King of England, Denmark and Norway between 1028 and 1035
- William** – Duke of Normandy who became known as William the Conqueror after the Battle of Hastings

## Timeline

