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The Viking Workshop – Thursday 9th December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of your child's ongoing educational experience, we have arranged for Year 4 to take part in an all day workshop at school. The workshop will be about **The Vikings** which is our Humanities Topic at the moment. The workshop is presented to the pupils by the expertise of a visiting company called '**Portals to the Past**'.

We would like this to be a memorable day for the children, so we would like the children to dress up as a Viking for the day. There are some examples over the page of what your child could wear. Please be aware that they will still have playtime and lunchtime outside, so they will need sensible footwear and a coat.

We request your support with a voluntary contribution of **£3.00** per child (*the total cost of the workshop is £6.30 per child, the school will be subsidising the remaining cost*) in order for the workshop to go ahead. This payment should be made **via Pay360** by **Friday 26th November 2021**. You'll find the payment under the **Trips** payment option. If you need any help to access Pay360 please contact the School Office.

We are always grateful for your contributions to your child's education and hope you feel these workshops are worthy of continued support which ensures events like this can take place and consequently enhance your child's learning. However, no pupil will be excluded because his/her parents cannot afford to contribute at a particular time. If this is the case, please make an urgent appointment to meet with Ms Knowles in confidence.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Hay and Mrs. McGovern

Year 4 Class Teachers



Ambitious young minds are the future leaders of our community



VIKING WARRIORS

Dressing as Viking warriors is easy! Use a brightly coloured adult "T" Shirt as an over-shirt and a normal size T shirt underneath for an undershirt. Your trousers can be baggy or straight-legged. Wear a cloak and a furry hat if you want.

Leg bindings are optional. These are very long lengths of material that are bound around your legs from your ankles to your knees. If you do wear leg bindings, make sure they are secure.

To make realistic chain mail, use old onion bags. Spray them silver. It looks good and weighs much less than the real thing. You can get old onion bags from supermarkets and greengrocers shops. Wear a belt around your waist over the top of your chain mail or over your shirt.



Don't forget to wear your **THOR'S HAMMER** with your Viking name.

VIKING GIRLS

You will need a long underdress and calf-length pinafore dress.

Your **TORTOISE BROOCHES** are attached to the front of the pinafore dress.

Wear beads between your tortoise brooches. Your **Viking comb** and **girdle hangers** can be worn hanging from your brooches on long lengths of cord. Don't forget to put your Viking name on the comb. Viking women always wore headscarves. They would wear a cloak if it was very cold



The photograph opposite is the actual size of these brooches. Make your **TORTOISE BROOCHES** from oval pieces cardboard.

Decorate with pasta and paint gold or silver. Stick a safety pin on the back, so you can pin your brooches to your pinafore.



These are girdle hangers, nobody knows whether they were just for decoration or had some practical use.



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