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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the autumn term in Year 4. In this letter you will find information about what we will be learning about this term.

Class Teacher	**Mrs Stearns**	**Support Staff**	**Ms Tapper/Mrs Kaur**
PE Days	**Monday and Wednesday** *PE kits should be in school every day*		

ENGLISH	
Our texts this term is:	-Hot Like Fire -Arthur & the Golden Rope
-Poetry -Short Story -Persuasive Letter -Newspaper Article	

MATHS
In maths this term we will be learning about:
- Place Value - Addition and Subtraction - Area - Multiplication and Division

PSRHE
In PSRHE this term we will be learning about:
- Being me in my world - Celebrating Differences

RE
In RE this term we will be learning about:
- Our Colnbrook value of responsibility - Christianity: What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?

TOPIC	
Our project this term is:	**Invasions**
In the Invasion project, your child will explore the effects of the Roman withdrawal and the chronology and geography of subsequent invasions. They will study the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings in detail, examining their reasons for invading, their settlements and their everyday life. Your child will also look at monasteries and the Anglo-Saxon legacy. They will consider how we know about life in this period and investigate the Sutton Hoo ship burial. They will learn about Athelstan, an Anglo-Saxon king, and what happened after his death, before ending the project by learning about the Norman invasion of 1066.	
Art	Warp and Weft
D&T	Fresh Food & Good Food
Geography	Interconnected World
Science	Food & the Digestive System
P.E.	Mindfulness Game Sense Invasion Dance Basketball

How you can help at home for this project
Work with your child to choose which activities to try at home: 1. Write definitions for the topic-related words listed to create a glossary. 2. Use information books and online sources to help you answer the following enquiry questions. • Who were the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings? • Why did they come to Britain? • What was the Anglo-Saxon period in Britain? • What was the Viking Age in Britain? 3. Use information books and online sources to find out key events during the Anglo-Saxon period and the Viking Age in Britain. Record the key events in a table in chronological order. Two events are provided. • AD 400 – The first Saxon, Jute and Angle invaders begin to arrive and settle in Britain. • AD 410 – The Romans leave Britain. 4. Historians use a range of sources to learn about the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. Find out about the sources listed below and record interesting information you discover. • Bede and his writing • Gildas and his writing • Anglo-Saxon Chronicle • Illuminated manuscripts • Sutton Hoo burial site • Excavations in Coppergate, York

Finally, attached to this letter is our Knowledge Organiser which gives you more information about what we will be learning about.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Stearns

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Class Teacher