

Enquiry: *Who were the Anglo Saxons and how do we know what was important to them?*

What the pupils will know

- What happened in Rome in AD 410 that convinced the Romans to leave Britain.
- Who the Anglo Saxons were and where they came from.
- Why the Anglo Saxons settled in England after the Romans began to leave.
- Why the Anglo Saxons chose to live in villages rather than towns left behind by the Romans.
- Why the Anglo Saxons were referred to as 'pagan'.
- Why England began to convert to Christianity after the arrival of Constantine in AD 597.
- How ordinary people were affected by England's conversion to Christianity.
- Why Sutton Hoo is one of the most important archaeological sites ever discovered in Britain.

National Curriculum Coverage

Pupils should be taught about:

- Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots.

Historical sources the pupils will interpret

- Maps
- Modern artistic representations and reconstructions of people, places and events.
- Photographs
- Artefacts
- Engravings
- Paintings
- Stained glass windows
- Written documents – speeches, journals, manuscripts

Disciplinary thinking skills the pupils will use to understand what they know

Selecting	Choosing the information most suitable and relevant
Sequencing	Arranging events or artefacts in their correct time order
Comparing and contrasting	Finding similarities and differences in how people lived at different times
Reasoning and speculating	Forming ideas about something without firm evidence
Synthesising	Combining a range of ideas and facts from different sources
Explaining	Showing understanding of how or why something happened

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In line with our school policy, we ensure inclusion through constructing enquiries which are graduated in 'bite size' steps allowing for the setting of personalised targets, a broad range of learning and teaching strategies including questioning, working with additional adults where appropriate and a holistic approach to assessing achievement.

End Points of Learning

Pupils making a good level of progress will:

- **Explain** what happened in Rome in AD 410 that convinced the Romans to leave Britain.
- **Understand** who the Anglo Saxons were and where they came from.
- **Describe and explain** why the Anglo Saxons settled in England after the Romans began to leave.
- **Explain** why the Anglo Saxons chose to live in villages rather than towns left behind by the Romans.
- **Understand** why the Anglo Saxons were referred to as 'pagan'.
- **Describe and explain** why England began to convert to Christianity after the arrival of Constantine in AD 597.
- **Explain and reach a judgement** regarding how ordinary people were affected by England's conversion to Christianity.
- **Explain** why Sutton Hoo is one of the most important archaeological sites ever discovered in Britain.

Pupils working at greater depth will also:

Understand that there were many Anglo Saxons living in and working with the Romans long before most Romans left and returned to Rome.

Prior Learning

Earlier in Key Stage 1 and Lower Key Stage 2 pupils learned:

- About what an empire is and why the Romans invaded and occupied Britain.
- That invasions and wars are almost always about gaining control of land and natural resources.
- That during the Iron Age wars were fought between tribes for control of land and resources.