Knowledge Organiser—Year 5, Autumn 1, The Vikings and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England

Key Vocabulary	
Danegeld	"Paying the Dane". King Etherlred paid the Vikings 4500kg of silver to go home but they kept returning and were paid 22,000kg of silver in Danegeld altogether.
Exile	To be sent away.
Invade	To enter and occupy land.
Kingdom	An area ruled by a king.
Longship	A long, wooden, narrow boat used by the Vikings.
Pagans	A religion where many gods and goddesses are worshipped.
Pillaged	To violently steal something.
Edward the Confessor	Edward the Confessor was king of England for 24 years. He earned his nickname because of his religious devotion and was later made a saint.
Angles	Tribes from modern day Denmark.
Saxons	German – Dutch tribes who settled in Britain from around 450 AD.
Christianity	A religion based on the teachingsof Jesus.

Key Aims

This unit will teach me about the raids and invasions by Vikings in Anglo-Saxon Britain. I will learn who the Vikings were as well as when and where they raided and settled. I will learn about significant events from the period and order these chronologically on a timeline. I will find out about the Anglo-Saxon kings who ruled during the 'Viking Age' and examine their influence and significance in British history.

By the end of this unit, I will be able to give an overview of the Anglo-Saxon period in Britain and to highlight some of the major changes during this period.

I will be able to:

- Say where the Vikings came from and when they invaded Britain.
- Know some key facts about the most influential Anglo-Saxon kings and be able to organise information about the Viking and Anglo-Saxon kings onto a timeline.
- Compare and contrast aspects of AngloSaxon, Viking and modern day everyday life e.g. religion, cultural traditions and learn about different aspects of everyday Viking life.



