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Dear Parents.

On Wednesday 6th March, History Off The Page will be visiting Year 5 to immerse the children into a Viking Experience Day! History Off The Page is a company which provides immersive and practical History, Science and Literature workshops to schools. The amazing, hands-on workshop, will give us a feeling of what it was like to live during the Viking period.

On the day, your child will experience life as it would have been living in the year 878 AD at the time of the Battle of Edington, using authentic tools and materials whenever possible to learn skills as apprentices in a wide variety of workshops. As the day progresses, the children will get involved in the issues of the time, with the chance to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities.

Children will need to wear a **simple** costume to help them feel part of the day. We really don't want you to spend lots of money on a fancy costume, please make use of clothes from home. Colours like grey, brown, black, khaki green, white would work. **NO swords, weapons, shields or helmets.** Please scroll down onto the second page for some costume ideas.

This experience day cannot operate without 10 parent helpers (or grandparent/other family members) so if you are able to help, please contact us at year5@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk as soon as possible. The experience is more authentic if you dress up but it is not essential - we will be dressed up so you won't be alone!

The cost of the visit will be £7.41 per child. This can be paid via ParentPay which is our preferred method of payment. Although no child would be prevented from taking part if this contribution is not paid, if we do not receive enough donations, the visit will not go ahead. We would be grateful for payment by 26th February please.

We are very excited about this experience and know that the children will love taking part in all the activities.

Kind regards,

Mrs Briggs and Mrs Spilling

Scroll down for costume ideas....





Year 5 Costume Ideas

Assemble a Costume

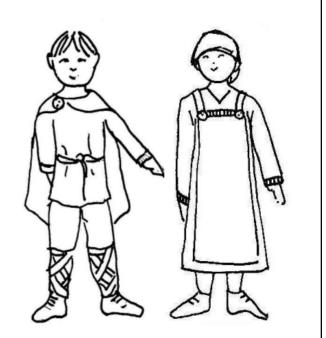
Looking like a Saxon or Viking will help you feel the part. Costumes do not have to be fancy – you can do a lot with clothes you already have! Here are some ideas:

Tunic or dress: This can be a simple dress for girls or a large T-shirt for boys and girls. Boys can tie a cord around their waist as a belt.

Cloak: A large piece of fabic fastened on the right shoulder with a brooch can be used for boys or girls.

Trousers (boys): They can be tucked into long socks or fastened with string or braid crossed around the lower legs.

Headscarf (girls): A bit of fabric to cover the head.



Please do not come dressed as a specific person. Please do not bring weapons, shields or helmets.









