

2nd May 2024

CHANGE OF DATE Anglo-Saxon Afternoon – Kingfisher Class – Tuesday 21st May,

Dear Parents/Carer,

I have had to change the date of the Anglo-Saxon day to fit with the willow artist. It will now be TUESDAY 21ST MAY in the afternoon. We will cover some parts in other Forest School sessions but they will need to bring Forest School clothes and their Anglo-Saxon dress-up on that day.

We will be learning all about the Anglo-Saxons in Lancashire and the day will include the children learning to defend the village, creating a small Anglo-Saxon village with wattle and daub, weaving with willow, making charcoal, learning about runes and making clay runes and making and baking bread with honey on the village campfire. All, while being ready to protect their village from surprise attacks by invaders – Vikings!



Celts or Saxons

Clothing:

To add to the interest and learning on the day we ask that all pupils (and staff) bring their usual Forest School clothing as we will be outside all day (waterproof, warm coat, warm clothing, wellies or boots and sun cream applied if we are lucky) **plus wear something over the top to show they are an Anglo-Saxon or Celt.**



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CLOTHES

While your children are visiting and working hard at Mere Tun in ancient times, they will of course want to dress so as to fit in! An authentic look can be created very easily.

To help make the day a roaring success, try to make them look as close as possible to the pictures (above) from your chosen era. The colours were usually browns, oranges, greys and greens unless you were very rich, when you could afford expensive colours like blue and red, and jewellery. Tartan and chequered woven patterns were used a lot.

Clothes were practical, and had to keep you warm. As your children will be outside all day, make sure they wear **lots of layers** under their Celtic or Saxon or Viking gear. Blankets and shawls over the shoulders look authentic and keep you warm. Adult T-shirts (inside-out to hide any slogans or logos!) make good tunics. They can be fastened with brooches and belts. Furry items look good.

Wellies or strong shoes/boots are essential. They may get muddy!

The children can come to school in their school uniform as they will have usual lessons in the morning. We will get changed after lunch.

Lunch:

Lunch as normal.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks,

Miss Wragg



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