The Vikings - Year 5 - Autumn 2						
Historical Themes		Tier 2	Key Vocabulary			
migration	empire	contrast	Scandinavia	Wessex	Danelaw	longboat
the process of moving from one place to another	a group of nations that are all ruled by the same leader(s)	To show the differences between two or more things	An area in the north of Europe which includes the modern countries of Iceland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland.	An Anglo-Saxon kingdom in the south of the British Isles from AD 519 until England was unified in AD 927.	An area of in the north of the British Isles that the Vikings established as their territory	A type of specialised Scandinavian warships which the Vikings used to travel to other places.
In Year 4 you learnt that the Romans migrated across Europe to expand their Empire.	In Year 4 you learnt that the Roman Empire was the dominant force in Europe for many centuries.	You have been able to make contrasts between the Roman and Anglo Saxon societies.	The Vikings left their homeland to find treasure and goods to take home to their settlements in Scandinavia .	Wessex was established as a Christian kingdom, which was uncommon during this time period.	The Danelaw was established in AD 886 when the Vikings made a treaty with a British king- Alfred.	Longboats were built with planks of timber, usually oak, being overlapped and nailed together.
The Vikings migrated to the British Isles in AD 793 and stayed until AD 1066.	The Viking empire spread from modern day Iceland to parts of what we call Russia.	The Viking migration can be contrasted to how people have migrated through history, including in our modern era.	The people from Scandinavia stayed in the British Isles because they enjoyed the natural resources so they built new settlements.	A notable ruler, Alfred the Great helped to establish the importance of Wessex in the 9th Century.	The Danelaw was established in order to protect those families that had originally come from Scandinavia.	The people of the British Isles had never seen boats as intimidating as the Viking longboats .





Different sources can offer a contrasting viewpoint of people and events from history.











How this connects with previous learning

The British Isles have had many visitors who have invaded and conquered them.

The Roman period in British history came before and overlapped with the Anglos Saxons.

The Anglos Saxons changed how people in the British Isles communicated and lived their lives



The ancient Greeks were a large empire,

which also depended on the strength of its boats and warships.

The spread of Viking art, culture and language was similar to the influence of Athens and Sparta in ancient Greece.

How this connects with future learning

Modern English language is shaped by the Viking settlers and the language of ancient Greece.