

Topic

The Viking and Anglo Saxon struggle for England



Holy Family Halewood Year 3 and 4 History



What I will focus on in this

topic:

What is meant by the terms invade and settle

To locate the Vikings in time and place.

Why did Vikings leave their homes?

Where and when did the Vikings raid Britain and the Anglo Saxon interpretation of the events?

Why were the monasteries targeted by the Vikings? How do we know about these raids? How did the Saxons try to stop the Viking raids?

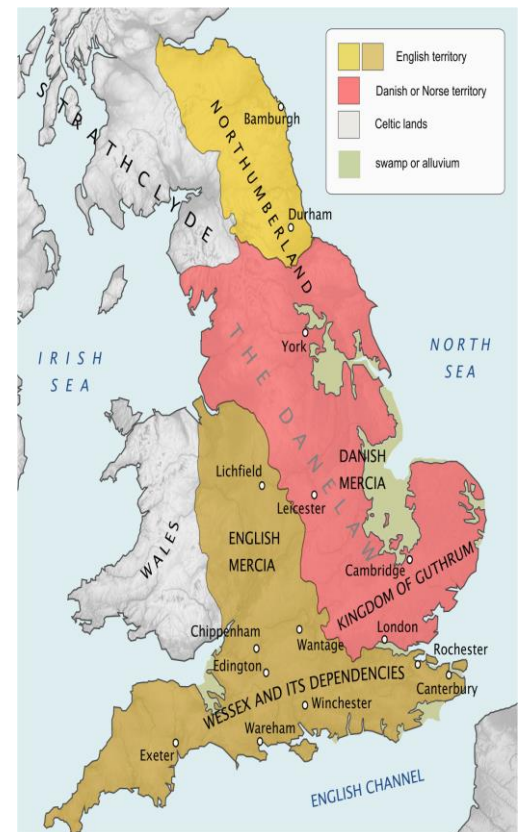
King Alfred and his impact and Changes on Britain. Inc. Danelaw

Vocabulary

Anglo Saxons	People who came from Germany to settle in England in the 5 TH Century.
Vikings	People who travelled from Northern Europe including England. The Vikings raided and traded with other regions.
Invasion	To enter another place or country by force with the intent of taking over.
Settlement	A colony or small community of people
Conquer	To get or gain by force – win by fighting.
Kingdom	A country or place ruled by a King or Queen
Monastery	A building or buildings occupied by a community of monks.
Raid	An unexpected attack, when an enemy comes to steal or destroy
Unified	To become a single unit/country
Archaeology	The study of the buildings, graves, tools and other objects that belonged to people who lived in the past, in order to learn about their culture and society
Danelaw	The areas of Northern and Eastern England ruled by the Vikings
Danegeld	A tax paid to Viking raiders to stop them from attacking the coast and invading.

Important Dates

	The Last Romans left Britain
449 AD – 450 AD	Saxon leaders Hengist and Horsa landed in Kent At the head of an invasion force.
516 AD	Britons defeated the Angles and Saxons at Mount Baden (date is uncertain)
633 AD	Lindisfarne Monastery built
By 650 AD	There were Seven kingdoms created across Britain
789 AD	First recorded Viking attack happens in Dorset
793 AD	Vikings attack the monastery of Lindisfarne
867 – 878 AD	Series of Viking victories.
871 AD	Alfred the Great becomes King of Wessex
886AD	Treaty negotiated between Alfred the Great and Danes dividing England (later known as Danelaw)
889 AD	Alfred the Great died
991 AD	Danegeld payments began
1016 AD	Cnut (Canute) King of Denmark became first Danish King of England
1042 AD	Edward the Confessor becomes King
1066 AD	King Harold is killed in the Battle of Hastings
1066 AD	William the conqueror was crowned King of England on Christmas Day.



Map of Danelaw Britain

