## HISTORY Year 6 ~ Autumn 2



## The Vikings



The Vikings first arrived in Britain in 793AD; they raided a monastery and then returned to Scandinavia.

> They continued to raid Britain for many years, and finally began to settle





## Scandinavia

A group of countries to the Northeast of Scotland: including Denmark, Sweden and Norway.

#### Monastery

A religious building (like a church) where monks worship and live.

#### Lindisfarne

An island in the North- A tax that was paid east of England, near Newcastle. It was the location of the first Viking invasion — they Saxon land. raided the monastery.

#### Danegeld

to the Vikings as a way of keeping them from invading Anglo-

#### Danelaw

The area of Britain that was ruled by the Vikings after Alfred the Great and Guthrum, a Viking warlord, agreed on a peace treaty.

#### Alfred the Great

The Anglo-Saxon king of Wessex, who defended England from the Vikings and established Danelaw

#### **Edward the Confessor**

A king who was well known as a good king due to his strong religious faith. He failed to have children, so therefore left no heir to the throne.

#### **Harold Hardrada**

(translates to hard ruler)

A strong Viking king who fought for the throne of England in 1066

#### William the Conqueror

A French king who led his troops to fight at the Battle of Hastings. He won and became King William I of England.

#### AD 793



the island of Lindisfarne.

## **AD 866**



the city of York.





becomes the King of

# **AD 878**

They settle permanently in England.

## AD 886



King Alfred agrees



Odin

AD 900



North of Scotland.

## AD 954



The last Viking king of Jorvik is forced out of York.

## AD 1013



and his son Cnut sail up the rivers Humber and Trent to claim the





King Harold is defeated in the

AD 1066

The Vikings were successful sailors and traded. They travelled many seas looking for places to raid. They used longboats designed to carry many warriors and travel in shallow waters.

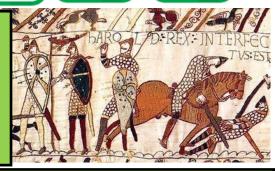


Wessex

The Vikings worshipped many gods/goddesses. Odin, Thor, Freya and Loki are just a few of them.

The Bayeux Tapestry is evidence of what happened at the Battle of Hastings. The tapestry was created around 1070 and is 70m long.

This scene shows the death of a king!



Next: The Battle of Britain **Before:** Anglo-Saxons and Scots **Now:** Vikings