Year 4 - Invaders and Settlers Key Learning

Vocabulary / Key Terms	
Invade	To enter another country by force with an army.
Settle	To start to live in a place permanently.
Community	The groups of people who live in a particular place or area.
Influence	To affect what happens or what people do.
Property	Anything that is owned or belongs to someone/a group of
Conquer	To take complete control of someone's land and property.

Important People

Alfred the Great



Alfred the Great was an Anglo-Saxon king of Wessex. He was famous for his victories against the Viking invaders. Alfred had a great military mind and ensured that Wessex stood strong. He eventually established Danelaw to keep the Vikings to the east of Britain.

Harold Godwinson



Harold Godwinson was the last crowned king of Anglo-Saxon England. He reigned in 1066 and dies famously at the hands of the Normans at the Battle of Hastings. Just weeks before his death, he successfully repelled an attack from the Danish leader Harold Hardrada.

Useful websites: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zxsbcdm

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztyr9j6

Important Facts

For 600 years, the Romans ruled most of Europe. In 55 B.C. Julius Caesar first invaded Britain. The people who were living in Britain at the time were

The Roman invasion of Britain had both positive and negative impacts. Historians believe that the fall of the Roman Empire was linked to poor

Once the Romans left Britain around 410 A.D., the Anglo-Saxons invaded. They came from, what is now, Germany, The Netherlands and Denmark.

After a period of Anglo-Saxon settlement, a group of people called the Vikings invaded Britain. They came from, what is now, the Scandinavian

The time of the Vikings is generally considered to be between 787 A.D. and 1050 A.D. Initially, the Vikings settled in northern Scotland and eastern

Timeline

516. Battle of Mount Badon. The Britains fight back against the 410. The Roman army withdraws invaiders, possibly from Britain led by King Arthur.

731. Bede finishes his 'Ecclesiastical History of the English People'

866. The Vikings capure York and make it their kingdom

886. King Alfred defeats the Vikings but allows them to settle in north & eastern Britain - the Danelaw.

1066. Harold of Wessex becomes King, but later that year Normans attack and win the Battle of Hastings.

450. Angles, Jutes and Saxons are settling in Britain and creating their

own Kingdoms.

597. St Augustine brings Christianity to England from Rome

793. Vikings from Denmark attack Lindisfarne

871 Alfred (the Great) becomes King of Wessex

927. King Alfred's grandson Aethelstan wins the Battle of Brunanburh and becomes the first King English crown of all England.

1016.King Cnut of Denmark captures the