

Y5 Knowledge Organiser – Anglo-Saxons What will I be able to do by the end of the unit?

Year 5 students will examine how the Roman withdrawal contributed to Anglo-Saxon settlement and study what life was like for all groups in Anglo-Saxon society. They will investigate the Anglo-Saxons and Scots using multiple sources to compare the accuracy of accounts. Students will also describe different perspectives of the Anglo-Saxon settlement and suggest reasons for their migration to Britain, using timelines to identify key events. By comparing Anglo-Saxon Britain with Roman life using a Venn diagram, they will understand how Britain changed. Additionally, pupils will explore Anglo-Saxon England, including its religious beliefs before and after the spread of Christianity, and how England was divided.

People						
	Bede	A monk who wrote about life in Anglo-Saxon Britain.				
Gildas		A monk who wrote about the leaders of Britain offering land and food in exchange for protection against the Picts and Scots.				
Hengist and Horsa		The Jute leaders who were invited to Britain by Vortigen to help defend them from the Picts and Scots in exchange for land.				
King Alfred the Great		The King of Wessex who eventually became the first king of England.				
King Ethelbert		The King of Kent who converted to Christianity.				
St Augustine		A monk who helped spread the word about Christianity.				
Vortigen		A king in Britain who offered Hengist and Horsa land and food in exchange for protection.				
AD 396 - 398: Picts, Scots and Saxons constantly raid Roman Britain. AD 450: The Anglo- Saxons began to settle alongside the Britons. AD 597: St Augustine helps missionaries spread the word about Christianity. King Ethelbert converts to Christianity. AD 410: Romans leave Britain to defend Rome which was under attack. Angles, Saxons and Jutes make their way from Germany and South Denmark. AD 500: By AD 500, the seven kingdoms had been created. AD 731: Bede completes the Ecclesiastical History of English Peoples.						

What should I already know?

- The Stone Age was when early humans used tools from stone. This lasted until the Bronze Age.
- The Bronze Age began when settlers arrived from Europe to Britain. These settlers brought with them ways of making tools from metal (bronze).
- The Iron Age lasted from 800 BC till the Roman invasion (AD 43) this was when people used tools made from iron.
- In AD 43, the Romans under the order of Emperor Claudius, first invaded Britain and

Roman rule lasted until AD 410.

Angles	people from Germany who invaded Britain around AD 410				
Anglo-Saxon	the name given to the people who travelled from Germany and South Denmark and settled in Britain around AD 410				
Archaeologist	someone who studies the past by exploring old remains				
Artefact	an object from the past that shows evidence of what life was like				
Century	a period of 100 years				
Christianity	the region based on the teachings of Jesus Christ				
Invasion	to try and take over a place by force				
Jutes	people from the Jutland peninsula (Germany and Southern Denmark) who invaded Britain around AD 410				
Migration	movement from one place to another in order to settle there				
Monk	a member of a male religious community				
Pagan	a person who follows a religion that is not a major religion, including Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, and Sikhism				
Picts	ancient tribes who lived in northern Scotland				
Saxons	people from northern and central Germany who invaded Britain around AD 410				
Scots	people from Ireland who eventually settled in Scotland				
Settler/ settlement	people who migrate to a new place. When people start a community, this is a settlement				

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		England			3000 BC		
		Scotland			0		
		Germany			410 AD		
		Southern Denmark			450 AD		
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		Bronze Age			King Ethelbert		
		Anglo-Saxons settlement			King Alfred the Great		
		Iron Age			St Augustine		
		Stone Age			Vortigen		
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