

# What did the Anglo Saxons believe and how did this change?

## Design Technology

In this subject we will be learning how textiles combine to make different fabric shapes and fastenings. We will start by designing, and then we will make and evaluate a small cushion (product) for a use of your choosing e.g. for a school chair, bed, to keep something special on (purpose).

## Science

Throughout autumn we will be focusing on properties and changes of materials. We will compare and group together materials on the basis of their properties. We will also use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated.



## WOW FACTOR!

Class 5 will be going on a trip to Martin Mere for an Anglo-Saxon Day.

## English

This half term we will be focusing on the story of **Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo**.

In this legend unit Class 5 will plan and write a legend of their own. The children will also be writing a biography about Beowulf and discussing other legendary tales from the past such as 'The Legend of Gelert' and 'Gawain & The Green Knight'.

## History

In this unit we will learn about the invasion of the Anglo Saxons. Class 5 will find out where they came from and why. We will also learn where the Anglo Saxons settled and what life was like in a typical Anglo-Saxon village. We will explore the Pagan beliefs of the early Anglo-Saxons and learn about the many gods they worshipped and then investigate how and why the Anglo-Saxons were largely converted to Christianity by the early 7th century. Towards the end of the unit we will consider whether Alfred the Great really was great and think about whether Anglo Saxon justice was effective, deciding if the Saxon times really were the 'Dark Ages'.