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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 4 Viking Day - Thursday 29th June

We are delighted to inform you that on Thursday 29th June, both Year 4 classes will be taking part in a Viking themed activity day. The sessions will be led by the dynamic and well regarded company 'History off the Page.' This day will give the children a hands-on chance to explore what life was really like during the Viking period through drama, role play, crafts and artefact handling. The following text gives a flavour of the setting for the day.

The year is 878, and the Vikings, under King Guthrum, have taken over England. The Saxon King Alfred has gone into hiding and wants his kingdom back. Which side will prevail?

Off the Page's Dark Ages Day puts your children in the midst of the action. They take on everyday tasks in a 9th century village as rumours swirl of the coming battle between Alfred and Guthrum.

To add to the drama and atmosphere the children are invited to come to school dressed in everyday Viking costume. The website, <http://www.historyoffthepage.co.uk/courses/viking/> has some good costume ideas and we would encourage simple homemade costumes over shop bought ones.

The contribution for this day will be £9.00 per child. Payment can be made via the school Gateway or by a cheque payable to Bishop Wood School.

For this day to be successful we need parent helpers for both the morning and afternoon. Please indicate on the slip if you are able to help during either or both sessions.

Many thanks,

Paula Birley and Jon Hall

For the attention of Mr Hall & Mrs Birley - Year 4 Viking Day

Name _____

Class _____

I have paid £9.00 via the school Gateway

I enclose £9.00 cheque/cash

Please delete as appropriate:

Cheques payable to Bishop Wood School

I will/will not be able to help in the morning.

I will/will not be able to help in the afternoon.

Signed.....

