



St John Fisher RC Primary School

Year Four Knowledge Organiser – Summer Term One – English Reading and Writing

Quality Text and Author: Anglo Saxon Boy – Tony Bradman



"Anglo-Saxon Boy" by Tony Bradman is an exciting story about a young boy who lives in England a long time ago, during the Anglo-Saxon period. He goes on many adventures and learns important lessons about bravery, friendship, and loyalty. As he explores his world, we discover what life was like for the Anglo-Saxons, including their customs and traditions.

Final Outcome – Narrative third person retelling with innovation

Reason – to produce a story to read to class

Audience – classmates/children

Features – story sequence, character, setting, point of view, figurative language

Tone – to entertain

Plot: Anglo-Saxon Boy by Tony Bradman follows the story of Magnus, a young boy living in Anglo-Saxon England whose life is turned upside down by Viking invasions. After his village is attacked, Magnus is captured and taken by the Vikings, where he is forced to adapt to a harsh and unfamiliar way of life. As he grows, he becomes caught between two worlds—his original Anglo-Saxon identity and the Viking culture he is exposed to. The novel traces his struggle for survival, belonging, and understanding, as he questions loyalty, identity, and the nature of enemies and allies in a time of constant conflict.

Story Path: Plot Points					
Themes	Peace and threat Family and community	Violence and conflict Loss of innocence	Fear of the unknown Cultural differences	Survival Adaptation	Identity conflict Coming of age
Vocabulary	thane (local lord) fyrd (local army) settlement	raid longship berserker	oar fjord captive	Norse thrall (slave) feast	warrior honour loyalty
Features	paragraphs imagery	paragraphs imagery	paragraphs imagery	paragraphs imagery	paragraphs imagery
Grammar	Fronted adverbials Intergrated dialouge Expanded noun phrases Subordinating conjunctions Co- ordinating conjunctions	Fronted adverbials Intergrated dialouge Expanded noun phrases Subordinating conjunctions Co- ordinating conjunctions	Fronted adverbials Intergrated dialouge Expanded noun phrases Subordinating conjunctions Co- ordinating conjunctions	Fronted adverbials Intergrated dialouge Expanded noun phrases Subordinating conjunctions Co- ordinating conjunctions	Fronted adverbials Intergrated dialouge Expanded noun phrases Subordinating conjunctions Co- ordinating conjunctions

