

In Forest Schools we
consolidated our learning about
the Vikings.



We wrote a message in the Viking alphabet, called runes, using sticks found in the forest. First we had to rake the area to make a clear, flat surface to write our message. We worked in pairs to lay out the sticks and then decorated around the writing. Other groups then deciphered the message.





We made a Viking longhouse using long pieces of wood. We had to make a hearth in the centre and make a pen for the animals. Teamwork was very important in this task.







We made our own mini fires with Miss Knight. We had to use perseverance to get the cotton pads to light and then we each used sticks and leaves to keep it burning. This was tricky as it is very damp in the forest at this time of the year!





We made shield patterns out of mud. First, we dug a pit, cleared it of debris and added just the right amount of water to make the mud. We then shaped the mud into a circle. We decorated them with natural materials to look like a Viking shield.







We learnt how to whittle with Mr Medlycott. We choose a suitable piece of wood and used potato peelers to strip the bark. We tied the pieces tightly with string to make an axe.



