

KEY STAGE 1 & 2

# VIKINGS DAY



Beaumanor offers a superb opportunity for children to gain an understanding of the Viking Era through experiential learning beyond the classroom.

Activities may include:

## Arrival and Introduction

Immerse yourself in a **local history study**, where our staff will provide an introduction to the Viking era, based on the life and experiences of Erick the Forester, an ancestor of the Herrick family who owned Beaumanor Hall.

## Viking Life

**Understand the complexity of people's lives** by giving yourself a Viking Name and experiencing daily life as Freemen and women. Learn the skills of threading, rune casting, and archaeological digging to discover more and **inspire your curiosity**.




## Journey to Faraway Lands

All aboard the Viking warship on a perilous journey across the ocean to Lindisfarne. Row to the rhythmic beat of the drum as the fierce warriors prepare to invade! Experience **the Viking struggle for the Kingdom of England**, and engage first-hand with **raids and invasions**.

Please note: this is a **role play** session and not a real sailing activity.

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**Activities**

We would be delighted to discuss your group programme and look forward to working with you. Please contact Beaumanor Outdoor Activities:

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## Set Up Camp

Build a temporary village for our settlers to inhabit using Longhouse inspired equipment. Relax after your hard graft and share sagas passed down through the generations, **retelling orally the myths and legends** that have **shaped this nation**.

## Information for your Beaumanor Visit

**A full day is needed to complete all of these activities.**

For schools with 36 – 72 visiting pupils, please split your group into 2.

For schools with 73+ visiting pupils, please split your group into 3.

There will be a half-hour lunch break where your staff will be expected to supervise the children.

It will greatly enhance your day if your staff and children turn your visit to Beaumanor into a **role playing experience**. In order to maximise the value of your visit, you might like to come in costume, but please remember that all sessions take place outside so clothing needs to be weather appropriate.

