

History Knowledge Organiser

War and Peace

Year 2

Our learning

In our history lesson this term we will be learning about the Battle of Hastings and how William the Conqueror led his team to victory.

We will look at how the different **civilisations** (Normans and Anglo- Saxons) **changed** because of the battle. We will look at the different rulers and how their **leadership** impacted on the lives of the people they ruled.



The Bayeux tapestry - an artefact that shows the Norman view of what happened in The Battle of Hastings.

Information

King Edward did not have a son to pass his crown to and several people thought they should become king. The Battle of Hastings was a very important event in English history. The battle took place at Senlac Hill. Battle Abbey was built on the site of the battle. King Harold was defeated by William due to William's superior leadership skills. Some people believe that Harold was killed by an arrow to the eye. William, Duke of Normandy and his army defeated the English who were led by King Harold. Historians know about the Battle of Hastings as they have studied The Bayeux Tapestry. This is an artefact made after the battle that shows one view of what happened in the Battle of Hastings.

Important Dates

5th January 1066- King Edward dies.
6th January 1066- Harold Godwinson is crowned King Harold after King Edward dies
27th September 1066 - William of Normandy's ships landed in England.
14th October 1066— The Battle of Hastings takes place. King Harold is killed and William of Normandy wins and is crown king.

Vocabulary

Peasant - a name for a person that worked for others on a farm and never had much money

Invade - trying to take control where they are not wanted.

Conquest - when an army invades and then wins control.

Saxons - the English civilization before The Battle of Hastings.

Normans - A civilization from Normandy in France.

Victory - overcoming of an enemy

Defeat - to lose a battle

Artefact - is an object that is made by a human from a time in his history

People who thought they should have been King



William of Normandy



Harold Godwinson



Harald Hardrada

