



# Factsheets

*Look out for these helpful sheets as you explore the Village*

## What are Factsheets?

They explain a whole range of things about the Anglo-Saxon Village. There are lots of fact sheets you just have to look for them as you explore the site.

## How to use them?

Please replace them where you found them. Some sheets have more detailed information on the back.

## What do *you* think?

Let us know if you find the Factsheets helpful or if you have any ideas on how to improve them.



## Why not visit the Museum first?

There is a lot of information there along with the finds from the excavation. Turn right at the bottom of the ramp.



**Remember to visit the Anglo-Saxon Museum**





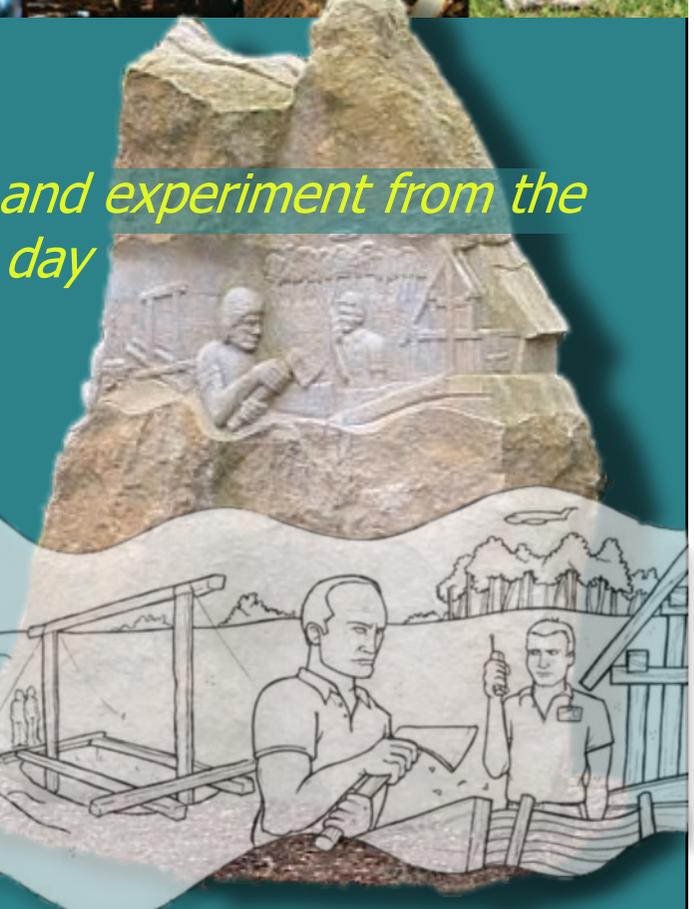
# The Stone

*The carved stone celebrates the cycle of learning and experiment from the Anglo-Saxons to the present day*



Brian Ansell (stone mason) and Dr. Stanley West discuss the stone

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## AD 430 - 650

A group of early Anglo-Saxons built a village here. Their houses collapsed and rotted away after the site was abandoned.

## AD 1965 - 1972

The site was excavated by Dr. Stanley West who put forward important new ideas about how these Anglo-Saxon buildings may have been built.

## Present Day

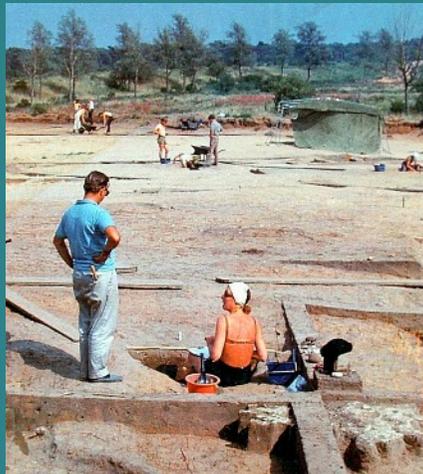
Experimental Archaeology and traditional building techniques are used to help us understand more about the Anglo-Saxons who once lived here.



# A multi period site

*The Anglo-Saxon Village was the last in a series of settlements here*

During the major excavations between 1965 and 1972 the archaeologists discovered that West Stow is a multi period site. The evidence found here dates back over 10,000 years. The Lark Valley is rich in archaeology which dates back to the last ice age.



- The present day visitor centre 
- Excavation 1965 - 1972 
- Sand blow c. AD 1300 
- Medieval ploughing c. AD 1200 
- Anglo-Saxon Village c. AD 430 - 650 
- Romano - British pottery kilns c. AD 80 - 140 
- Iron Age farmstead c. 200 BC to AD 60 
- Late Neolithic burial mound c. 2,000 BC 
- Mesolithic hunters c. 6,000 BC 



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