Dear parents,

This half term year 5 will be covering the following in class:

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| English:   * Writing points of view – writing letters – persuasive arguments. * Description - using adjectives and figurative language. * Writing a newspaper article. |
| Maths:   * **Number and place value**: Read, write, order and compare numbers to 1,000,000, determining the value of each digit. * **Addition and subtraction: A**dd and subtract mentally with larger numbers. Also use formal written column method. * **Multiplication and division**- multiply and divide mentally using known facts. Multiply and divide whole numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. |
| **Science – Life cycles.**  This will involve looking at:   * The lifecycle of mammals, amphibians, birds and insects. * Characteristics and features of different types of animals. |
| Topic – **Vikings (AD793-1066).**  This will involve:   * Where Vikings came from and who were they? * Why they explored parts of the world and England? * The Viking way of life. |
| Weblinks  Science:  <http://www.kidsgeo.com/geography-for-kids/0002-how-big-is-the-earth.php>  <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/9_10/earth_sun_moon.shtml>  History:  <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/vikings/>  <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/anglo_saxons/> |