Dear parents and Year 6 pupils,

Here is a list of the topics that we will be covering this term. Our topic title is 'The Anglo-Saxon and Viking Struggle for England to 1066'. If your child has anything related to these topics that they would like to contribute, please bring it in to school! (make sure it is named). Mrs Paton

Geography: We will look at patterns of migration into UK, and develop map skills and locational knowledge linked to our topic.



English: This term, linking to our topic, we will study 'Viking Boy' and practise story-writing skills. Using the picture book 'The Arrival', we will write sections of this story about the experience of a migrant, inferring the narrative from the beautiful illustrations. Additional writing forms will include diary and letters. Using another beautifully illustrated book 'Can we save the tiger?' we will write persuasive texts. The teaching of spelling and grammar, and reading comprehension, will be embedded within these units.



Music: We will use the BBC series 'Ten Pieces' to develop music appreciation, composition and performance.

**Computing:** E-Safety (digital citizenship); creating vlogs.

**PSHCE**: We will be thinking about friendship and respectful relationships including online. We will mark UK Parliament Week by learning about our parliamentary democracy and how it works.

**PE**: Hockey, Real PE and Cross Country.

Art/DT: We will make a moving model with a motor - the RoboDodo. We will create our own artwork based on the features of Viking Art including knot patterns and animal heads. We will produce pencil drawings of wild animals in their natural habitat.



RE:

Understanding Christianity: The Nature of God; Creation and Science; The Fall; God's Covenant Plan.

Is it better to express religious belief through art and architecture or charity and generosity?



Maths: Ordering numbers, place value, shape, angles, perimeter, area, mental and written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, percentages, ratio and proportion, data handling, reasoning, problem solving. Mental arithmetic and reasoning will form part of every lesson.

Spanish: Where in the world Spanish is spoken. Introductions and greetings. Spanish alphabet. Spanish phonics. Classroom vocab. Numbers. Christmas in Spain.



Science: This term our topic is 'Evolution and Inheritance'. We will discuss fossils as evidence of life millions of years ago & study the life of Mary Anning. We will compare offspring with parents & see how plants/animals are adapted to habitats. We will look at Darwin, Wallace & Mendel's contributions to our understanding of evolution.



We will also look more closely at electrical circuits.

History: We will look at the Anglo Saxon struggle against the Vikings for control of England up to 1066 and consider how 'great' Alfred the Great was. We will learn who the first King of 'England' was, and where the 'English' people came from.

