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*Aim High*

*Never Give Up*

*Follow Your Dream*

*Lead By Example*

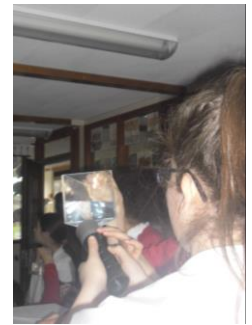
Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed our text *Odd and the Frost Giants* last term and their performance at the Voyager was superb.



The children loved our History focus on the Vikings and had great fun designing and making Viking shields and longboats. The children loved the challenge of identifying appropriate resources for their longboats and showed perseverance when their plans did not work!

One of most exciting Science lessons involved making rainbows. The children were fascinated at how the rainbows were created and some even managed to create double and triple rainbows.



Our rocket building was less successful however. After preparing ourselves for some amazing rocket launches, our most successful shot 30-40 cm in the air and the other exploded all over Mrs Cockerill! We will not let this lack of success get us down and many children have already been thinking about how we could improve our designs.

This term, we will focus on lifecycles in science. We are hoping to provide the children with a hands on experience with incubating eggs and watching them hatch into chicks and caring for caterpillars and watching their transformation from chrysalis to butterfly. A letter requesting your support to fund this experience has been sent out to all Reception and Year 5 parents.



Animals will be the focus for much of our learning this term such as reading stories involving animals and, writing reports and explanations. We will watch and listen to the music from Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* and aim to create our own version, considering animals and their characteristics.

Maths learning will focus on the four operations and using written methods to solve problems. We will also return to fractions as this has been a difficult concept for many children to grasp.

YDP will continue to deliver football on a weekly basis and the children will learn the skills of rounders in their second PE session. Both of these PE sessions will be outdoors when possible, so children will need outdoor PE kit in school all week.

Our computing curriculum will focus on creating a website about internet safety which we hope will be added as a link to our school website.

We will tie together learning French vocabulary for 'food' with a design and technology project of making croissants, pain au chocolat and pain au raisin. We would like to invite parents/carers to join our 'French cafe' on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 2:30pm.**

We hope to see you there!

