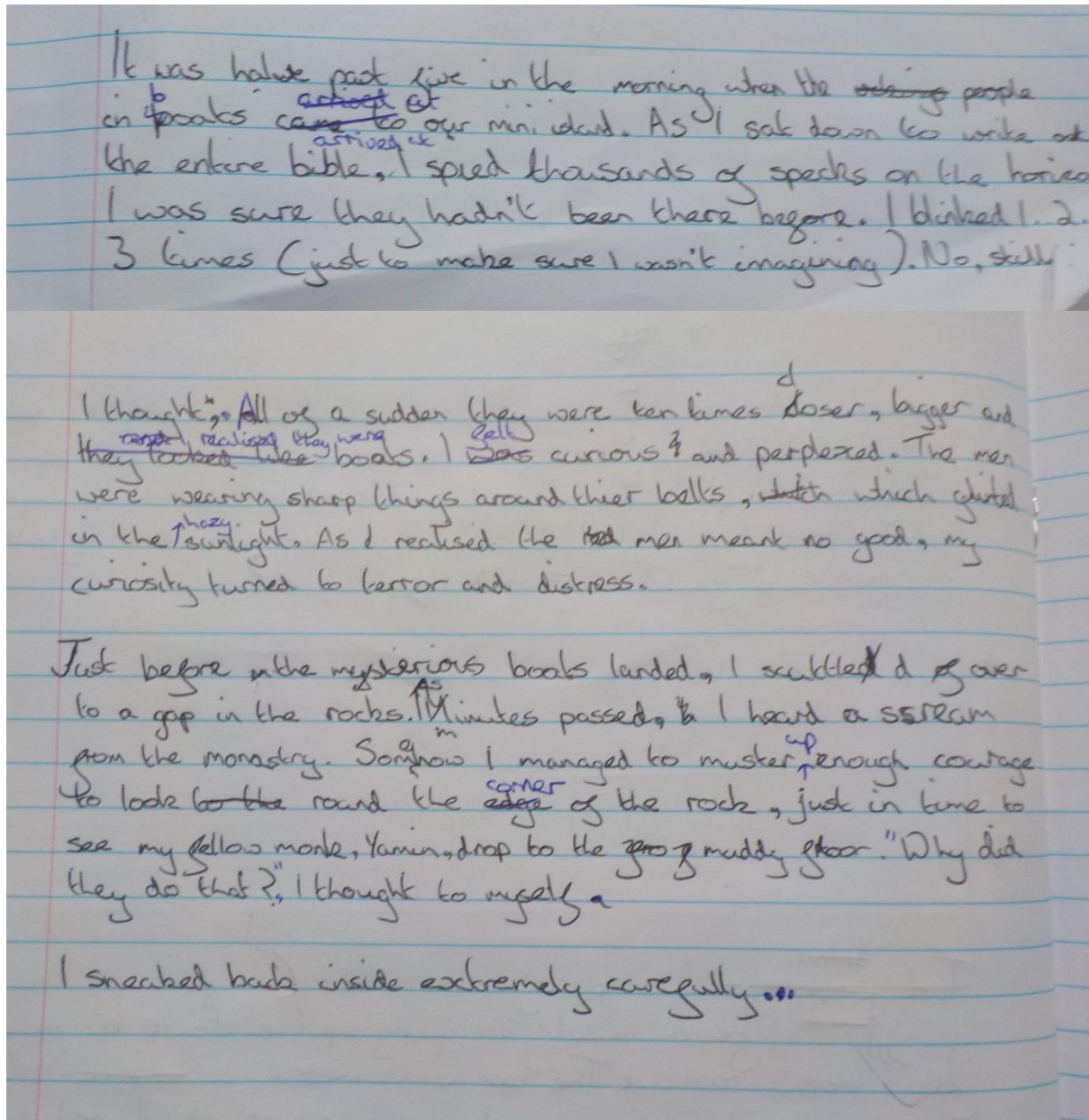


Year Five News – Exploring Everything

The last two weeks have flown by. In English we've been creating our final version of our Viking recount all about a battle at the monastery at Lindisfarne. We have been using a wide variety of descriptive language, such as similes and noun phrases, and a wide range of punctuation including colons and semi-colons.



In Maths we have been learning about multiples, factors, prime numbers, squares, cubes and prime factors. We've learnt a lot about how the number systems work and why we use powers to make mathematical calculations simpler and making links between factors and times tables. We've begun to realise just how useful knowing all our times tables can be!

In QUEST sessions, we have begun to explore Islam – learning all the important terminology for their worship and questioning our in-class experts! We have learnt so much about faith and links between religions we already know lots about.

We have begun to create our big artwork for our topic – using skills such as painting, dyeing and sewing to create a beautiful landscape. We're especially excited about using the natural dyes we found out about previously.

We have also been using Digimaps to measure distances – thinking about how far the Vikings would have had to travel from their landing sites to us here in Gloucester.

Next two weeks

We will be starting a new English writing topic based on Non-Chronological reports and we'll be learning all about perimeter and area including how to find missing sides of a rectilinear shape to find the perimeter in Maths. In Science we are continuing our topic of humans and other living things which we will use in our English writing. In RE we will be learning more about Islam and retelling the Christmas story. We will be creating Christmas cards and crowns and learning a special Christmas song ready for our visit to local Care homes to share our Christmas cheer!