Year 5 Britain in the Viking Age (1) Lady of the Mercians Medium Term Plan

National Curriculum Children should be taught about The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor	Knowledge The first Viking raids and invasions. King Alfred of the Kingdom of Wessex. The 'Great Heathen Army', Alfred in Athelney, Alfred's victory over Guthrun, Guthrun's baptism, Danelaw, Scandinavian settlements, Viking links to rest of world - Russia, Constantinople, Muslim trade. How Vikings changed as they settled in other parts of the world and interacted with diverse cultures. Aethelflaed growing up. Women in Wessex and in Mercia. Aethelflaed & Aethelred take on the Vikings. Aethelflaed & Edward build burhs and press into the Danelaw. Raid on Bardney and Battle of Tettenhall. Aethelflaed ruling in her own right from 911 as Lady of the Mercians. Disciplinary focus: change/continuity How did the Vikings change England?
Lesson Focus	Vocabulary
1. Strange oars on the Trent: Mercia falls	flanks, furrows, chasms, seeping, ploughshare, Norsemen, Vikings, wintered, launch, ingots, spindle, whorl, daring, seat of royal power, crypt, abandon, Anglo-Saxon Chronicle
2. Early Viking raids	according to, encounter, tremble, illuminated, pace, widespread, martyrdom,, claiming
3. Wessex alone	campaigns, prowled, at bay, to and fro, ferociously, in a good light, decisive, learned, depicts, re-enacting, threatening, warlord, occupied, sought
4. Three surprises and a wedding: Mercia and Wessex unite	ancestral, residence, triumphantly, commotion, forage, ransacked, shires, ealdorman, grave, war-bands, hilt, font, triumphed
5. Rebuilding Mercia	shore up, fortify, wary, fortifications, burhs, fortified, prosperous, wilderness, priory
6. Bolder and bolder	boulders, vividly, reputation
Synoptic task How did the Vikings change England?	