



# LARKS HILL J & I SCHOOL

## Upper Key Stage 2 Newsletter

Spring Term  
2017

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year! The children are already back in to full work mode and enjoying the challenges they are

encountering. As we are in the middle term of the year, we are expecting all the pupils to flourish and deepen their understanding in all of the curriculum subjects.

There is so much happening this term so please make sure your contact details are up to date.

If you have any questions then please don't hesitate to catch us at the end of the school day.

### This term the children will be learning...

#### Topic

##### The Anglo Saxons and the Scots!

This term the children's creative curriculum theme is all about the Anglo Saxons and the Scots. We shall be learning all about the period of 410—1066AD and how the evidence is still around now: how the Anglo Saxons and the Scots came to be in Britain and about how many of our place names came from this time. We shall also be learning about what village life and the culture was like at this time, with an investigation of Sutton Hoo.

#### Maths

In Year 5 the children will be completing their understanding of the written methods. We shall be deepening our understanding by applying our knowledge in a range of contexts. In Year 6 we shall be learning about Shapes and division and continue to prepare for the SATs which are in May.

#### English

In English we are writing to persuade. Year 5 and 6 will be using a range of adverts to develop our skills to write persuasively and developing our core writing skills.

### How you can help your child:

- Ensure your child is at school for the start of the school day.
- Make sure they bring their book bag every day.
- Hear them read every night.
- Make sure they bring their P.E kit every week.
- Help your child learn their spellings.
- Encourage your child to complete any homework given.



### Science

This term in Year 5 we shall be learning about 'Living Things and their Habitats.' We shall be looking at different habitats and what is needed to have a sustainable life. In Year 6, we will be learning about 'Evolution and Inheritance' we shall be enquiring about how living things have changed over time, how animals produce offspring of the same kind, how animals and plants have adapted and developed to suit the changing habitat over a period of time, and that adaptation may lead to evolution.

### Computing

In Year 5 and Year 6 we shall be learning about coding.

In this subject we use Scratch software and Purple Mash to learn how to write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals.



### PE

Year 6 will continue to have expert coaching in Table Tennis. Also, Year 5 will continue to have swimming lessons



**PE kit:** Indoor kit— white t-shirt, navy or black shorts, pumps or trainers.  
Outdoor kit - white t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms, tracksuit top and trainers.

**PE for Year 6 is on a Wednesday**

**PE for Year 5 is on a Thursday and swimming is on a Wednesday**