



Langshott Primary School

Year 5 Spring Newsletter

Happy New Year! Welcome to the Spring Term. We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas break. The children worked so hard last term, we cannot wait to see how they grow and develop over the year. We are excited to begin our new topic - please see below to find out what we will be learning this term.

Planners

Planners should be used to record home reading, but also to keep track of home learning tasks, key dates and other information. Therefore, the children should have their planners in school every day. Planners will be checked every week.

Website

Please check the website each week to see our timetable and spellings.

PE

We have PE every **Wednesday and Thursday**. Please ensure your child wears the correct PE kit to school on these days. Children are encouraged to bring a roll-on deodorant for PE days.

Forest School

We will be having Forest School sessions every **Monday**. To ensure that your child can participate safely with Forest School activities, they will need to have the correct items in school (please refer to letter sent previously). For ease, these items can be left at school for the duration of the half term if you wish. As ever, please ensure all items are named.



A few recommended reads for this term!



Click each book cover to view on Amazon.

Our topic this term is:

'Intrepid Invaders, Courageous Conquerors and Mythical Monsters'

English

We will be writing non-chronological reports based on the theme of mythical creatures, as well as developing our creative writing skills to write a narrative inspired by the book 'Viking Boy' by Tony Bradley.

In Spring 1, some of our reading lessons will be based around the book 'Impossible Creatures' by Katherine Rundell. You may like to purchase your child their own copy to refer to in lessons. We will also be looking at a range of non-fiction texts.



Mathematics

Our focus is formal methods of multiplication and division. After this, we will continue our learning on fractions by developing our calculation skills. After half term, we will move onto decimals and percentages; area and perimeter and statistics.

Science

As we move through the Spring Term, we will take part in British Science week! The theme for the week is living things. We will be covering our Science unit 'exploring life cycles', where we will observe the lifecycle of a butterfly!

Foundation

Our foundation topics are as follows: **History**: Anglo-Saxons and Vikings, **Art**: clay dragon eyes, **DT**: moving monster model, **Computing**: online safety, **Music**: boom whackers, **PSHE**: dreams and goals and **RE**: Buddhism.

Reading Books

Please continue to hear your child read on a daily basis/ensure your child reads independently. **Nothing** you can do at home is more important than this. Home reading will be celebrated in class. Children receive one STARS Point read recorded in their planner. We will visit the library every two weeks, children are able to borrow one library book at a time.