

History and Geography

Our Geography learning this half term will focus on Invaders and Settlers in Britain. By the end of this term children will have a greater understanding of Anglo Saxon life and how they have impacted on the lives of children today. Timelines shall be explored so that children can deepen their knowledge of chronology and when significant past events occurred in British history.

Hadrian's Wall shall be researched and children will debate about whether it is right to divide the nation – this will also link to current affairs and media. Picts and Scots will be explored and children will be able to compare the differences between children's lifestyles as an Anglo Saxon to modern society. Further information to support your child can be found at:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/vikings-invaders-settlers/zj9jxyx>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

Computing

During the Spring term we always enjoy Internet Safety Week where children come together as a school and focus on what makes a good digital citizen. This year's focus is 'Together for a better internet'. We hope you will join us for the e-safety parent workshop in February so you can support your child with their digital literacies.

Children will also be exploring Century – our new artificial intelligence software; Accelerated Reader to boost vocabulary and retrieval skills; they will be using Time Table Rockstars to improve their times table knowledge; researching a variety of topics using safe search engines and using a variety of software to present research and data to a wider audience. Please ask your child to log into their accounts from home to complement their school learning.



Help us spread the word

Art and Design Technology

This term your child will take inspiration from great designers and artists to interpret and replicate art using some of their techniques.

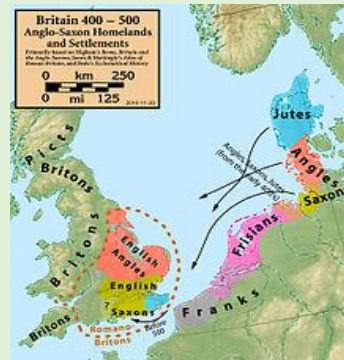
Artist Focus: Contemporary outdoor sculpture

– Anish Kapoor, Ai Weiwei, Jeff Koons.

Researching any of the above would enhance your child's learning in the classroom.

Remember to ask them which style of artist they prefer!

Invaders and Settlers



Science Do you know the answers to the following questions? By the end of term your child will because they will have been learning about changing states of matter.

What are the 3 states of matter?

How can states of matter change from one to another?

What is the water cycle?

Special Events and Visitors

We hope to bring the Invaders and Settlers to Hurst Hill this term... Please keep your eyes peeled for the class letter which shall follow shortly with additional information.

Inspire Workshops

We would like to invite parents in to work with your child to complete a project.

3AT morning of Tuesday 5th May

3/4HH/RW morning of Tuesday 4th March

4/5DR morning of Tuesday 14th January

PSHE Themes This term your child will be learning about: **Valuing difference:** Recognising stereotypes; different types of relationships; respecting similarities and differences; bullying and discrimination; respecting others' feelings and opinions.

Feelings and emotions: Recognising and managing different feelings; keeping something confidential or secret; recognising and managing dares

Healthy relationships: recognising aspects of a healthy relationship; physical boundaries within different relationships; working together; behaviour; resolving conflict

RE - This term your child will deepen their understanding of Jesus to:

Know why Jesus was such a significant figure within Christianity.

Explore some of the miracles Jesus did.

Explore why Jesus may have acted the way he did.

Reflect upon how religion plays an important role in people's lives and how this can affect people's behaviour and actions.

