



# UKS2 (Year 5 & 6)

## Autumn Term One

### Curriculum Overview



**LARKS HILL**  
JUNIOR & INFANT SCHOOL

Welcome to the Autumn Term! We very much hope that our children have been able to enjoy a restful summer break and that they are raring to go as they start another successful school year. This curriculum overview contains information about what you and, more importantly, your child should expect in Year 5 and 6 this term. To start our new academic year, we have a new book: Cosmic.

#### Reading, Writing, Maths and Science

We are starting the new term with a brand-new text, 'Cosmic', which all our curriculum will be centred around. In our writing lessons, we will be focusing on developing our spelling and grammar skills through genre writing. We will begin by writing a letter of complaint, moving onto a persuasive leaflet; all based around the themes and characters of 'Cosmic'. In Maths lessons, Year 5 will be building upon their place value knowledge to understand negative numbers and rounding, whilst Year 6 will be understanding the place value of numbers up to 1 million before applying their place value knowledge to multiplication and division. In Science, we will be learning about the Solar System, including the features of the main planets, how the Earth orbits the Sun and importance of light and dark within the universe. We will be focusing on using scientific vocabulary to describe out-of-this-world concepts and debate scientific space theories.



#### PE

Class 5 will have Indoor PE on a Tuesday and Swimming on a Thursday. The children should bring their PE uniform on their classes PE day and their swimming kit on their swimming day.

Class 6 will have Indoor and Outdoor PE on a Wednesday. The children should bring their PE uniform on their classes PE day.

Please make sure all items of uniform are clearly named. If the weather is fine, PE may be outdoor for both sessions.

#### Homework

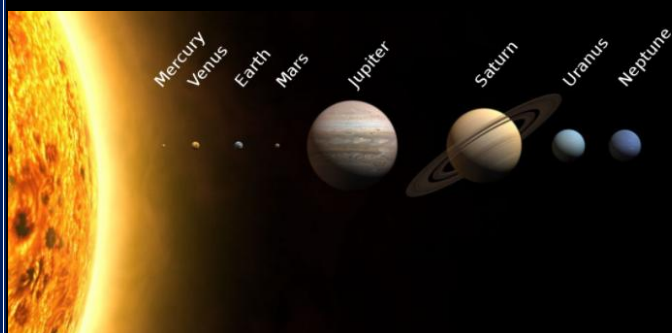
Spellings will be given at the start of the half-term with weekly tests on a Friday. Times tables should be practised using TTRockstars for at least 5 minutes, 3 times per week.

It is expected that children will read at home for every school day. Reading books will be checked and changed as necessary. Please remember to sign your child's reading record whenever you have listened to them read or discussed what they have read.

Other homework will be given as necessary to support in class learning. Homework is not intended to be onerous, so please let me know should there be difficulty in completing the given tasks.

#### How can I help my child?

You can help your child by supporting and encouraging them to complete their homework in a timely manner and to a high quality to help them make progress and improve their understanding each week.



#### Other Subjects

In History, we will be learning about the space race and its importance within the period of the Cold War. The children will be able to order events chronologically, as well as studying historical sources and evaluating their reliability. In Geography, we will be learning suitable locations for a rocket launch. The children will explore the human and physical features of various locations across the globe using various geographical resources.

During our Computing lessons, we will be exploring the importance of a 'digital footprint' to build awareness of using the internet and apps. In addition to this, in PSHE children will explore online and offline discrimination to understand the importance of treating themselves and others with respect.

#### Our School Website

[www.larkshill.patrust.org.uk](http://www.larkshill.patrust.org.uk)

#### Brain Buster

*If the Sun didn't exist, how would we survive?*

Mr Reynolds, Miss Whale and Mrs Smith