



## Upcoming Events/Topics

Thursday 10th October at 1:35pm – Upper School Harvest Festival  
 W.c. 14th October - 'How did England Become England?' (*Anglo Saxons and Vikings*)  
 W.c. 2nd December - 'Positive Potions' (*Harry Potter themed*)  
 W.c. 16th December - *What message did the angels bring? (Religion and Worldviews)*

### Who's who?

The children have settled incredibly well in their first few weeks of Year five and the teachers have all enjoyed getting to know their new classes. There has been lots of collaboration and many positive learning behaviours on display.

**Wilberforce Class** - Mrs Dack (Year Leader) and Mrs Utting (HLTA)

**Naidu Class** - Mrs Swetman (Mon - Thurs), Mr Dack (Fri) and Miss Hammond (TA)

**Pankhurst Class** - Miss Holt and Mrs Postle (TA)

**Attenborough Class** - Miss Joy and Mrs Sutton (TA)

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

### Intergalactic Investigators

The children have travelled to the Milky Way from a far away galaxy to study the Solar System. They will learn about the different planets; how we have day and night; and why the moon appears to change shape in the night sky.

They will learn about forces, including gravity, water resistance and air resistance.

They will also appraise 'The Planets' by Gustav Holst before composing short pieces of their own.

The children will improve their sketching skills to create a drawing of the Moon.

At the end of the topic, they will draw their learnings together into a multimedia presentation.

[Website link](#)

In Maths, the children have been looking at the place value of numbers to one million. They have used place value charts to help.

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Millions	Hundred Thousands	Ten Thousands	Thousands	Hundreds	Tens	Ones
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In English, the focus has been writing a non-chronological report. The children will showcase their skills by writing about one of the planets. Look out for their published pieces!



The planetarium was fab!!!

### PE days - Plain kit or school uniform

**Naidu** - Thursday and Friday  
**Attenborough** - Tuesday and Friday  
**Pankhurst** - Tuesday and Wednesday  
**Wilberforce** - Monday and Wednesday



### Reluctant reader?

Try...



[Popular graphic novels](#)

### Homework Expectations (Friday to Friday)

**Reading** - at least four times a week  
**Spelling focused activity** (paper based)  
**Times tables focused activity** (paper based)  
 TTRockstars/Spelling Shed - **optional** extra

We *really* appreciate your continued support with this!