



# The Dawnay School

## Upper Junior Newsletter



**What are we learning?**

**Date: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

### English

This week, we have been using the music video 'Titanium' to create character descriptions using 'show, don't tell.' We have been developing our use of dialogue in narrative writing.

### Maths

In Year 5, children have been converting units of measure and applying their knowledge to word problems.

In Year 6, we have been building upon our knowledge of shape; finding missing angles.

### Topic

We have launched our new imaginative learning project called 'Allotment.' So far we have studied native fruits and vegetables, creating botanical drawings. We have helped to prepare the school allotment for planting and located local allotments on an OS map. We have planned and conducted an investigation into the biodegradability of materials. We look forward to seeing the outcomes in a few weeks.

### PE

In our two lessons of PE we have been learning to play cricket and practicing attacking and defence ball skills useful for netball and basketball.

### **How can you help at home?**

Home learning sheets for this term's topic have been sent home. Please make sure your child completes two to three tasks over this half term. Please send homework into school as it is completed. We would suggest a project every two weeks.

Are you an avid gardener? Do you have any old gardening magazines we could use as reading material in classes this half term?



### **Heads up!**

- SATs week - 14<sup>th</sup> May - 17<sup>th</sup> May  
Please ensure year 6 pupils are in school EVERY DAY for SATs.  
The school has a statutory obligation to administer SATs to all eligible children and will follow up on all absences.
- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June - Summer fair



### **Our "Learnacy" skill:**



#### **Imitation**

Learning things by mimicking - observing, analysing and reproducing ideas, actions and