

# King Edwin Primary School

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Dear parents/carers,

In Year 5, our topic this term is 'Why is Nottinghamshire such a cool place to live?' During the topic, the children will be concentrating on *Mystery* stories as part of their English sessions.

Education shouldn't be about gimmicks, one off show lessons or flashy "look at me" teaching. It should be about engagement and all schools need a bit of pizzazz from time to time... This is where The 'Hook' comes in. You might know it by a different name: an attention grabber, a motivator. The hook is what you use to grab the students interest.

Research has demonstrated that engaging students in the learning process increases their attention and focus, motivates them to practice higher-level critical thinking skills and promotes meaningful learning experiences.

Thinking about this research and in order to engage our children in Mystery stories, we are going to be holding a Year 5 'Cluedo' games afternoon on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**, giving children the opportunity to experience a 'crime/mystery' opportunity, to inspire the children of what is contained in a fictional story and even attempt to write a mystery story based upon the games they have participated in...

If your child(ren) has the game Cluedo at home, please could they be brought to school for that afternoon so a variety of different games can be enjoyed, with maximum participation by all.

We thank you for your continued support and co-operation,

Mr Bandy  
Apple Teacher with Swift Playground recognition  
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