



Year 5/6 Newsletter

Summer Term 1



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English

During this half-term, both Years 5 and 6 will be developing their knowledge about World War II, starting with a re-count of the Battle of Britain. Children will experience what life might have been like during this period and use this to create informative and emotive pieces of writing. We will also be using the book 'Letters from the Lighthouse' to further their understanding of some key aspects of the war.

Maths

Throughout this half-term, pupils will be continuing to develop their fluency and reasoning skills. They will be applying their understanding of the four operations to shape, space and measure problems. As well as beginning to look at statistics—interpreting and representing data!

It is vital that pupils continue to know their times tables inside out, as this will help with the fluency activities in lesson. Please continue to use TTRock Stars at home!

Forest School

This term, we will be linking our Forest School sessions to World War II. This will include: creating our own Anderson Shelters, cooking using ingredients from that time period as well as designing and building their own gas mask boxes.

As ever, children will be working co-operatively and will need to display their resilience in order to be successful.

Topic: World War II

World War II is always one of our favourite topics and it is one that we can't wait to teach! We will be looking at the causes of the war and studying some of the key battles that took place throughout it. We will be linking our geographical skills to locate places the Axis and Allied forces occupied at various times throughout this period.

As historians, we will also be investigating the lasting impacts of World War II.

Science/French/Computing/RE

Throughout the term we will be developing our understanding of animals including humans. This will include looking at the life cycle of humans and key internal systems such as the pulmonary, circulatory and digestive systems. We will also look at the reproductive systems for living things.

In French, our topic is 'Let's Visit a French Town!' As part of this we will be learning how to name various locations around a city and further develop our conversational French!

In computing, we will be looking at data handling and how to use different programmes to help with this.

In RE, we will be looking at how followers of different religions show commitment to their faith with a specific focus on Sikhism.

Homework

All pupils should be reading three times a week at home with an adult.

Please continue to encourage your child to use Times Table Rockstars and Spelling Shed regularly at home.

There is also optional homework which can be viewed on the website.

PE

Our two PE topics this half-term will be athletics and cricket. We have a local community cricket officer to come and take some sessions with our pupils!

Pupils should attend school wearing their PE kits on the designated days—these are a Week 1 (Thursday) and a Week 2 (Tuesday and Friday).

Dates for your Diary

15.04.24—First day of term.

17.04.24—Year 5 Leeds Lieder Concert

19.04.24 -Big Swing trip for Team Point winners!

13.05.24—SATs Week (Y6 Only)

23.05.24—Pattern Day