

Curriculum Newsletter Class 6

Autumn Term 2024

This term the class topic is World War Two

English, Communication and Language

Children will be exploring and writing a range of non-fiction genres including: newspaper reports and recounts linked to our topic "World War Two". The children will also be looking at fiction genres and writing some poetry for Remembrance Day and we will explore narratives that include flashbacks. Literacy, work will be on-going throughout the year with a focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Human, Social, Environmental Understanding

This term our topic is "World War Two". During this topic we will be looking at how WW2 began, and give the children a more comprehensive understanding of how empire and rebellion influenced Hitler and his plan to dominate Europe. The children will explore the significance of the Battle of Britain and complete a local study, looking at various sources from different areas in the West Midlands region. They will then compare the inner cities with Shropshire and explore how Britain gained victory in World War Two.

R.E.- Our Jigsaw learning enquiry questions in R.E this term are: What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? Do Christian celebrations and traditions help Christians understand who Jesus was and why he was born?

Understanding Arts and Design

Art We will create a range of WW2 art- linked to remembrance- for our remembrance exhibition- this will include: drawing, painting and clay sculptures of poppies for our own poppy wave.

Music- Will be taught by Mrs Buchanan and she will be teaching from the Sing Up scheme which is in line with the National Curriculum objectives.

French

This term we will be learning all about the planets. We will be studying some new adjectives to describe them and working out how these change for masculine, feminine and plural. We shall also look at conventions of using commas and decimal points in larger French numbers.



Mathematical Understanding

This term we will be using our core numeracy skills: place value of numbers (including decimals), addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will use four quadrants to plot co-ordinates. We will compare and order fractions; identify the value of each digit in numbers given to three decimal places; solve problems which require answers to be rounded to specified degrees of accuracy and use common factors to simplify fractions. We will also use common multiples to express fractions in the same denomination; associate a fraction with division and calculate decimal fraction equivalents. We will also recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages. We will multiply simple pairs of proper fractions, writing the answer in its simplest form and find fractions and percentages of whole-number quantities. Finally, we will add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers, using the concept of equivalent fractions.

Scientific and Technological Understanding

Light: In science we will be exploring the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. We will explore how we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes and using this knowledge to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

Electricity: We will be using recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram; exploring the effects on the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit and compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.

In ICT we will be coding using Purple Mash. We will also be spending time looking at online safety.

Physical Development

P.E. lessons this term will be on Friday mornings. Children may need their outside (warm) kit for these lessons. Tennis then dance are the sessions for this term. On Thursdays we will be swimming and children will need their kit for these sessions.

PSHE - our Jigsaw topics this term are 'Being Me In My World' and 'Celebrating Difference'. Children will celebrate differences and explore what makes a good, supportive friend. We will also focus on controlling our emotions and feelings in difficult times...

If you have any queries or questions do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks, Mrs Kenyon & Mrs Silvester