




Year Six Newsletter: Autumn 1 2023

We're so excited! This half term promises to be full of exciting learning opportunities for our Year 6 children. Our topic is **War and Peace** and we will be exploring elements of both World War 1 and World War 2. We will be using our history skills to learn about the significant events during the wars and exploring what life was like for people on the homefront. In English we will be reading the novel *Letters from the Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll, an exciting story about two children who are evacuated during World War 2. In line with our topic we will be going on an exciting trip to Eden Camp, a modern history museum with a wide range of WW2 resources for the children to explore. Finally, we have our Artist in Residence, Sharon, joining us this half term to complete an art project looking at symbols of peace, we will be sharing our fantastic work during our Year 6 assembly.

Kind regards,
Mrs Noble and Miss Fletcher

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Homework	Learning Log	PE Days	
Due every Friday: -Weekly spelling practice -SATs Companion. The children will be set weekly tasks on the Sats Companion website, login details will be inside their homework books.	Learning logs will be sent home shortly to be returned in time for our learning log exhibition before Monday 4th December.	Monday– Indoor PE Tuesday- Outdoor PE Please come wearing a warm and comfortable PE kit which follows the Saltaire Primary uniform code.	
Curriculum			
English	Maths	Science	
This half term the children will be completing an exciting unit of work based upon the short film, Varmints. They will be writing exciting sentences and stacking them together to create a narrative, before writing their own story which focusses on an emotional journey. Following on from that, the children will be completing some fictional work on <i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> , which is set in wartime Britain. In guided reading each week, the children will study extracts from different texts each week- fiction, non-fiction and poetry. They will begin with an extract from <i>Once</i> by Morris Gleitzman	<u>Place Value</u> The half term will start with us exploring: -Numbers to 10 million -Compare and order numbers -Rounding numbers -Negative numbers <u>Four Operations</u> Our second Year 6 unit will cover the following: -Add and subtract integers -Multiply 4 digits by 2 digits -Short division -Long division -Common factors and multiples -Prime numbers to 100 -Square numbers -Cube numbers -Order operations	This half term we will be studying electricity. The children will be taught to: -associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit -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 -use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.	
Humanities	Art	PSHE	
Throughout their War and Peace topic the children will be learning about: -Historical timelines and events -Axis and allies -Children and evacuation -The role of women -Home front and rationing -Air raid shelters	During their peace project with Sharon, the children will be learning to apply a range of joining fabric techniques and developing their sewing skills. They will continue to use their sketchbooks to explore ideas and artists.	In PSHE the children will be exploring the topic 'Me and my relationships'. The topic covers friendships, emotions, feelings and conflict resolution.	
Teaching Team		Support Team	
Mrs Noble – Johnson Miss Fletcher – Turing Madame Thakker - French Sharon Snaylam- Art		Mrs Todd Miss Nicol	