




Year Six Newsletter: Autumn 2 2023

This half term is so full and promises to be incredibly informative and full of variety. Our topic continues to be **War and Peace** and the children will be taking on a whole school responsibility to promote remembrance: selling poppies to other year groups and hosting a special remembrance assembly. In English we will be studying the novel *Letters from the Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll, an exciting story about two children who are evacuated during World War 2, writing narrative recounts and learning about Kristallnacht in depth.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.
Mrs Noble and Miss Fletcher

Key Dates		
	Remembrance Assembly- 9.11.23 Year 6 will be revealing the peace banner they made in art last half term and some children may be sharing their war poems with the school during a remembrance assembly.	
	WW2 Activity Day- 9.11.23 On this day the children will be participating in a range of activities to explore life on the homefront during World War 2. This will include researching and designing air raid shelters and trying out war-time rationing recipes.	
	Parent Consultations- 14.11.23 and 15.11.23	
	Christmas Concerts 6th and 7th December 2023 Christmas Parties-12.12.23 Further clarification to follow.	
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 are due on Monday 4th December for our learning log exhibition. We look forward to seeing your exciting and interesting creations!	Monday- Indoor PE - Gymnastics Tuesday - Outdoor PE with Coach Ashley Please come wearing a warm and comfortable PE kit which follows the Saltaire Primary uniform code. Long hair must be tied back to ensure children's safety.
Curriculum		
English	Maths	Science/Design Technology
This half term the children will be completing some non-fiction work on <i>Letters from the Lighthouse</i> , which is set in wartime Britain. This writing will enable the children to write a narrative recount, as well as learning about Kristallnacht and the Blitz bombings in greater detail. Towards Christmas, the children will be learning about football and the trenches, examining the events of Christmas Eve in 1914. In guided reading each week, the children will study extracts from different texts - fiction, non-fiction and poetry.	Four Operations -Short division -Long division Fractions -Recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages, including in different contexts -Add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers -Multiply simple pairs of proper fractions, -Divide proper fractions by whole numbers (e.g. $\frac{1}{3} \div 2 = \frac{1}{6}$)	Children will be applying their knowledge of electricity from the last half term to organise and carry out an investigation choosing their own line of enquiry. In DT they will be researching, designing, making and evaluating their own wire loop games using a variety of materials and skills. They will be learning how to draw designs from three different perspectives and generate ideas through sketching and discussion.
Computing	Music	PSHE & RE
In computing the children will be learning how to use spreadsheets to organise data and solve problems. They will be learning how to input, order, present, add, edit and calculate data using the different functions.	In music this half term the children will be completing a six-week unit of work that introduces the children to learning about the language of music through playing the glockenspiel.	In PSHE the children will be exploring the topic Valuing Difference, where we learn all about the exciting and interesting things that make us unique. This will be visited during Crew sessions.
Teaching Team		Support Team
Mrs Noble – Johnson Miss Fletcher – Turing Madame Thakker - French Coach Ashley- Outdoor PE Mrs Wilson - Computing and music (Johnson)		Mrs Todd Miss Nicol