

Honesty
Kindness
Responsibility

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

Resilience
Ambition
Respect

English:

Over this exciting term, we will be reading the amazing *Goodnight Mr Tom* by Michelle Magorian. These books will link with our history topic and our writing will be based about World War 2. Year 6 will finish this half term by exploring War poetry as we approach Armistice day.

Maths:

As the children start the year, we will focus on a place value topic focussing on numbers up to 10,000,000. After this, the children will then spend the remainder of the half term working on the four operations, especially long division and formal written methods.

Science:

In science, Year 6 will broaden their knowledge of how vertebrates, invertebrates, plants and micro-organisms are grouped using shared characteristics. They discover how Carl Linnaeus developed the Linnaean and binomial systems for classifying and naming living things. Pupils use and produce branching and number classification keys to sort and identify organisms.

RE:

In RE, we will build on our comparisons about the origins of the Abrahamic religions. The children will discover how some religious practices are observed. They consider how someone practices their religion.

History:

In this half term we will be investigating the causes of WW2; learning about the Battle of Britain; investigating the impact of the Blitz and evacuation on people's lives; and evaluating the effectiveness of primary sources.

Music: In music, we will be focusing on singing skills through our 'Songs of World War 2' unit. We will deepen our understanding of the history of music by learning how songs during this era fit into a larger historical timeline, and we will perform repertoire of some World War 2 songs by singing and playing them. Our Musician of the Month for September is Bob Marley, and for October it is Tracy Chapman.



French:

Pupils will learn sports vocabulary, how to express preferences plus the infinitive. They will expand their knowledge of country names and develop their cultural knowledge of Pétanque, the Tour de France and the Olympics, consolidating their learning by writing a magazine article about participating in the Olympic Games.

DT:

This half term, our DT will focus on cookery. We will investigate wartime recipes, compare them to their modern counterparts and then create dishes for the World War II day on Wednesday 23rd October.

PSHE:

This unit will focus on friendships focusing on resolving conflict, about respect, understanding that everyone deserves to be respected and about grief.

Enrichment:

This half term our children will be visiting Bletchley Park. GenR8 will also be working with the children on 'It's your Move'.

PE:

PE will consist of children taking part in Outdoor Adventurous Activities. The class teacher will teach swimming for the other lesson.

Computing:

We will discover about the history of Bletchley Park, historical figures, and computer science. Children learn about code-breaking and password hacking as well as decoding messages. Children present information about historical figures.

Reminders:

PE days: Monday and Tuesday

Forest School dates: Class 7 Autumn 2

Reading record check every Friday or reading journal checked every two weeks

Home learning handed in every Tuesday



Class 7: Mr Wilson

Class 8: Mrs Foley