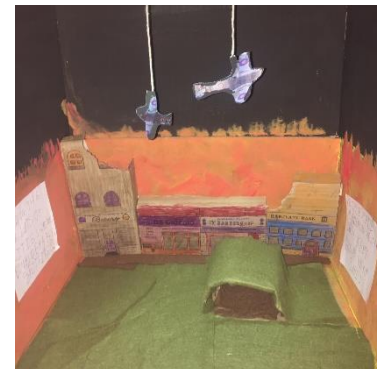


## Year 6 – Autumn Term Two

Autumn term has been very busy for year six and we've all worked hard and tried to do our best. These are some of our highlights.

**A magnificent millennium – how did Britain change 1000 – 2000: WW2 Christmas?** For our History, we have been learning about WW2. For our termly project we have made various different projects about WW2 and what we have learned. Projects included: ration packs; propaganda posters; Spitfire and evacuee research; historical models; games; and a we even had a recipes made from rationed food. We've also learned about Christmas before, during and after the war. Did you know that Christmas was referred to as Blitzmas?

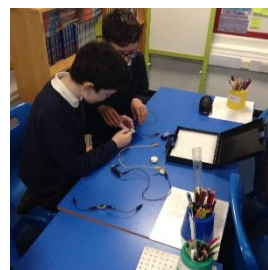


**Maths** – In Maths we have been learning about adding, subtracting, multiply and dividing fractions (by both integers and fractions). We have also been doing some Christmas problems solving and reasoning activities, which included: more fractions, factors, timetabling, co-ordinates, BIDMAS and the best until last, some code-breakers. All maths in year 6 is great and fun – STICK TO YOUR MATHS!

**English** – This half term we have been studying the book *Rose Blanche* by Roberto Innocenti. The children have thoroughly enjoyed studying the book and have loved creating their own alternative endings alongside the main characters in the text. We've put a lot of focus on writing this half-term and the children have produced some beautiful pieces, such as; emotive descriptions, narratives, character descriptions, poems, non-chronological reports and reader response reviews.

### **Could you be the next Nintendo Apprentice? Science: electricity –**

In science we have been learning about electricity and how electric circuits enhance our daily lives. We used everything we have learned about building circuits in school to investigate what happens to a circuit when we use different components. It was good to see how our schoolwork is actually used to make life better for us. It was really good being able to experiment with different circuit components too – even learning about the dangers of short circuits. We did this in partners and we always work better as a team.



### **Can you spray that again? Art/Design Technology –**

This half term we've linked our art/DT to our history study of WW2, we've been learning about a spray paint artist called Banksy and all of his famous graffiti. After studying him, we used his artistic style to create our own WW2 graffiti poppy art. We have really enjoyed learning about him and would love to study his work further.

### **What do the gospels tell us about the birth of Jesus? RE –**

We have been learning all about what the gospels say about the birth of Jesus. We have been comparing the teachings of the gospels from the points of view of different disciples. We have enjoyed learning about the main similarities of the stories, but also the reasons for the differences too.

### **Christmas in Year 6 –**

We have been studying WW2 Christmas traditions and how they have affected modern tradition this term. We has a lot of fun researching the traditions of the past and then presenting them to our class mates. We have learned facts, such as; there was a short supply of Christmas trees during the war. We have enjoyed our last Christmas in Whitburn so much.

### **Spring Term One:**

- Geography: Why should rainforests be important to us all?
- Science: Could Spiderman really exist?
- English: Persuasive writing: *My dad's a bird man.*
- Maths: Decimals and percentages, shape, problem solving and reasoning.

***Merry Christmas from all of us in Year 6 and a happy New Year for 2020!***