

Year 6 Newsletter

Autumn 2019



The Year 6 team would like to welcome everyone back after the summer break. The Autumn Term will be action-packed! We have carefully planned a range of activities which will allow your child to get the most out of his/her time in school.

Our History topic this term is WWII. Whenever possible, we try to incorporate our topic theme into the work we do.

Here is a brief description of what is planned:

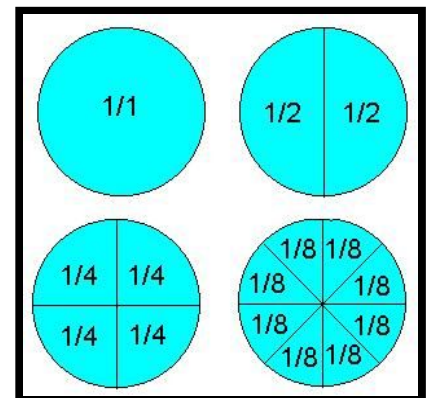
History - WWII and Transport

- Extending our knowledge on WWII and the changes it brought about in Britain?
- Our local area during the war (on the doorstep of Bomber Command)!
- The evolution of transport.
- Children at work and school.



Maths

- ⇒ Understanding x,+, - and - including mental calculations and paper/ pencil strategies.
- ⇒ Money and real life problems.
- ⇒ Fractions, decimals and percentages.
- ⇒ Ratio and proportion.
- ⇒ Handling data.
- ⇒ Shape and space.
- ⇒ Measures including problems.



English

We will be reading a selection of short stories linked to our History topic of WWII, as well as two novels.

- We will be studying a range of phonics, spelling, vocabulary, grammar, punctuation, comprehension and composition through fiction, poetry and non-fiction topics.
- The fiction and poetry will focus on classic tales, poetry and drama by long established authors including a novel and adaptations of classics on film / T.V.
- The non-fiction work will include an autobiography and biography, diaries, journals and letters which recount experiences and events.

P.E. and Games

2019 is the Year of Sport at Woodcroft and we will have many exciting activities and competitions planned in addition to the statutory offering of P.E. and Games.

Dance - Children will be creating a short dance integrating music and sequences from dances popular during WWII.

Gymnastics - Children will create a routine incorporating different methods of travel, rolls and shapes.

★ **Thursday - Games with Mr. Raw**

Friday - Gymnastics or Dance

Games sessions are usually held outdoors so please ensure that children bring both their indoor kit (shorts and a t-shirt) as well as a tracksuit as the weather begins to change!

Science

Big Question #1 - Which paper plane design will travel the furthest?

- ✳ Work relating to the topics of Light and Electricity.
- ✳ Properties of light travel and reflection.
- ✳ Shadow testing.
- ✳ Modifying circuits to alter effects on components and testing the effects of changing wires in circuits.
- ✳ Conductors and insulators.
- ✳ Developing investigative skills.

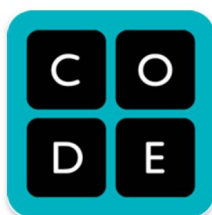


Design and Technology

- ☞ Designing and making a reusable shopping bag or pillow.
 - ☐ War Time Christmas crafts.
- ☞ Recipes used during WWII.

Computing

- ☞ Create a web page on Treehouse
- ☞ Staying safe on the internet
- ☞ Programming puzzles



Code.org



Religious Education

- ☐ Values, with units of work on: Rules, similarities and contrasting beliefs of major world religions.
- ☐ Belief and Identity, Relationships and Community.
- ☐ Celebration and study of religious and cultural holidays that occur in the Autumn Term.

Trips/Events

- ★ *R.A.F Museum Visit - September 24, 2019*
- ★ *WWII Christmas - presented by Year 6 - Friday December 13, 2019 (9:15-10:15)*
- ★ *Harvest Festival - October 11, 2019*
- ★ *International Day (Dress / Cake sale) October 16, 2019*

Required Equipment

Please ensure that your child is ready for every school day:

- Home link book
- Clear pencil case
- 2 pencils
- 2 handwriting pens
- Pencil sharpener
- Rubber
- Highlighter
- Green pen
- Coloured pencils
- Small ruler

The Year 6 Team

Mr Guest	Class Teacher
Miss. Jackson	Class Teacher
Ms Gignac	Class Teacher
Mrs. Caplan	Support Teacher (English)
Mrs Federman	Support Teacher (Maths)
Mrs. Ditchman	Teaching Assistant (First Aid)
Miss. Kelly	Teaching Assistant

Please feel free to talk with any of us about any concerns you may have.