

English

Last term saw the class produce some excellent stories based on our value of Joy. This half term we will look at 2 more genres of writing:

Diary Writing

Again, closely linked with our value of service and our fascinating history topic of the Second World War, we will delve into how diaries are written. We will focus on the expression of thoughts and feelings, formally and informally and study how diary entries are built up over time.

Arguments/Persuasion

We will then move on to the genre of writing to persuade. As a class we will discuss topics that we are passionate about and begin to form persuasive arguments to inform others of our opinions.

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Grammar will be incorporated into English lessons, but standalone grammar lessons will also take place. Spelling sessions will focus on remembering, understanding and using the variety of patterns we are faced with in Year 5/6.



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History

We are lucky in Year 5/6 this half term to have an enormous History topic to cover—World War 2. We will focus on the changes Britain faced as well as the impact Churchill had on the War efforts.

The class will take part in research, present information, produce art and create constructions linked to the fascinating topic.

Maths

Maths this half term will begin with a focus on shape. Moving from identifying and classifying shapes on to finding angles and lines of symmetry, reflection and translation. We will then consider the 3D aspects of shape—studying nets and volume.

Maths lessons will then move on to a focus all aspects of fractions! Beginning with finding equivalent and converting Mixed numbers and improper fractions. Following this we will look at fraction calculations, decimals and percentages.

Reading

We will look at a range of texts this half term including short stories, diary extracts, WW2 recounts and another text we will study in more detail.

Daily reading lessons will take place along with a strong reading focus in English lessons.

R.E.

Mrs Gibbins will continue to teach RE to the class this term. The topics are mission which will be linked to our value of 'Service' and the theme of community. We will then look at a topic of Unity.

Art / DT

Mrs Gibbins will guide the class in using a range of resources and materials to replicate some of the propaganda posters from WW2. She will also explore the impact of collage to help the children continue to produce work of a great standard.



Computing

Our computing topic this half term will involve video editing. We will start by creating videos and then adding music, enhancing, cutting and manipulating footage to dramatise and excite.

Science

Our science topic will see us studying the properties of materials and how they can sometimes change. This will let us explore the experiment and investigation side of science.

Homework

Year 5 homework will remain the same, Year 6 homework will change—a Parent-Mail will be sent!

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French

In French we will be able to work on our conversational skills through studying food and drink. By the end of the focus, we should be able to take part in a role play restaurant.

P.E.

Our PE focus this half term will be Hockey. We will look at a range of different skills. From basic dribbling and movement, through to tackling, defending and attacking. Towards the end of the topic we will take part in what I'm sure will be competitive games!

Extra Curricular Opportunities

As always, a range of Extra curricular opportunities are available throughout the year. Look out for ParentMails.

Educational visits

Keep an eye on ParentMail for information on educational visits!

SEAL

This half term, linked to our value of service, our SEAL lessons will see us look at going for goals. Setting targets for ourselves and hopefully achieving them too!