



Autumn 2, October 2017



World War Two



We have had a great start to this wonderful topic in Autumn 1 and have lots more to cover, so we will be continuing to learn about World War right up until the end of the Autumn term. Events include:

- On Monday 13th November, we will be having a visit from the Blitz School who will provide us with a hands-on experience of some World War Two artefacts. Your child is welcome to wear a World War Two themed outfit for the day.
- On Wednesday 22nd November, we will be visiting the Yorkshire Sculpture Park for a self-guided tour of the Henry Moore exhibition by our artist in residence, Sharon Snaylam. We will gain inspiration from his work to enable us to design and make clay sculptures back in class.
- On Friday 1st December, it is our year group assembly which will be World War Two themed. It would be great if your child could come in a World War Two outfit for the day.
- Designing and making poppies to sell to our school community to help raise funds for the Royal British Legion.
- Creating and following a traditional World War Two rationing recipe.
- Exploring what Christmas was like during the war.



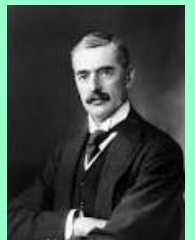
Maths

This half term we will studying:

- Statistics
- Multiplication and Division (written and mental methods)
- Perimeter and Area

English

We will be studying poetry for the first part of this half term. We will be looking at the different features and styles of poetry before writing our own poems based on World War Two. We will then move on to studying biographies, writing one for Winston Churchill. Finally, we will be writing instructions for World War Two recipes.



Swimming and PE

Thank you for all of your support with swimming. The children are really enjoying their lessons and are making good progress.

Please make sure that your child's swim wear is appropriate. Costumes and shorts must be made for swimming and any extra garments should be suitable to wear in the pool.

Outdoor PE continues to take place on a Wednesday afternoon and this half term we will be learning how to play basketball. Please ensure your child wraps up warm for outdoor PE and continues to wear PE uniform following the school dress code.

Important Dates

Blitz School day: Monday 13th November

Yorkshire Sculpture Park educational visit:
Wednesday 22nd November

Year 5 Assembly: Friday 1st December

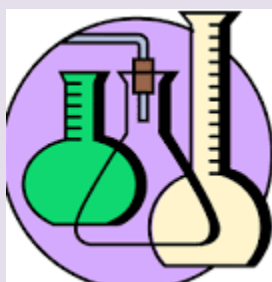
KS2 Christmas Concerts: 5th, 6th and 7th
December

Fire Safety talk: Monday 11th December

Y5/6 Christmas Party: Wednesday 13th
December

Science

The children will be continuing to learn about materials and will be investigating which material is most suitable for building an air raid shelter.



Computing



We will continue to learn about the different types of coding and will be using computing in English, topic and maths.

Spelling

Spellings will be sent out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday. The spellings which are sent home will continue to focus on spelling patterns and rules. In addition, please continue to reinforce class based learning of the words on the Year Five and Six National Curriculum word list, which can be found on our year group's web page.

This half term's patterns will include:

- ible and able
- words ending in fer
- ei after c
- letter string ough

RE/Music

We will continue to learn about special journeys and places for different religions. In music, we will be learning about rhythm and pulse.

We are all excited about the half term ahead, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher if you have any concerns or require any further information.

Thank you, Miss Hayden, Mrs Shillaker, Miss Woolley, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Baxter