

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Creative Curriculum



As the new school year begins, Year 6 will be studying 'Lest we forget.' This topic will involve finding out about World War 1, its causes, the countries that were involved, what life was like for soldiers in the trenches and its effect upon life in England. To present their work, the children will be designing a multi-media presentation or brochure.

Within Art, the children will be creating propaganda posters in support of the war effort and will be producing their own images linked to the war, using a variety of median. Working in the style of artists Paul Cummins and Tom Piper, the children will be making their own clay poppies to remember those who gave their lives in World War 1. Why not become involved in your child's learning by helping them complete some of their topic based homework challenges? There is an activity for everyone.



English

Linking with our topic, the Year 6 class novel will be 'The War Horse' by Michael Morpurgo. This will be used to help the children understand the importance of animals in the war and provide a 'hook' for writing. Using the digital-media clip 'The Piano,' the children will be introduced to the experiences of the main character and produce a story with flashbacks. Also, through Drama, the children will take on the role of soldiers in the trenches; writing letters home to loved ones and completing a diary extract, describing what a day in the trenches was really like. Within this, Year 6 will be developing their grammar, punctuation and spelling skills. In school, the children will be heard read regularly and will complete a reading comprehension every week. In order to support your child so that they make rapid progress, please listen to them read on a regular basis.



Science

This term, the children will be investigating light. They will be exploring the way that light behaves, including light sources, reflection and shadows. They will work scientifically to investigate the relationship between light sources, objects and shadows, by using shadow puppets and designing their own periscope.



Mathematics

To begin this term, the children will be developing their understanding of place value to 10,000,000, including rounding. They will be using negative numbers in context and calculating numbers across zero. In addition, they will develop their skills of using the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) to solve real life problems.



Knowing the multiplication tables by heart will speed up your child's calculations and help them to prepare for their forthcoming SATs. If your child has access to the internet at home, they can practice their tables using Times Table Rockstars and consolidate their Maths learning using Mathletics.

Enrichment



- Internet Safety Assembly: 28th September
- Puberty Talk: 23rd October

Important Dates & Information

Robinwood:

Friday 9th November to Sunday 11th November

SATs week:

Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May

Writing SATs continue until the end of June

