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Year 6 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is an overview of what will be happening in Year 6 this term.

Curriculum

Our half term topic is A Child's War and the main focus for the topic will be History.

Memorable Experience: A visit to RAF Cosford.

English: Our class reader is Goodnight Mr Tom. We will be doing various comprehension exercises and children will be producing a recount, newspaper report and an explanation of the causes of World War Two.

Maths: We will be focusing on number and place value up to 7 digits; adding and subtracting mentally; properties of 3-D shapes; multiplying 2 digits by 2 digits; adding, ordering and subtracting fractions and using coordinates to plot, translate and reflect shapes.

Science: We will be learning about the human circulatory system, particularly focusing on how the heart and lungs work. Children will also be learning about how to keep their bodies healthy.

Topic: Children will be learning about the different kind of shelters people used to stay safe during WW2, reasons for the war, rationing, Anne Frank, Holocaust, D-Day and the different types of aircrafts that were used.

P.E: Children will be playing mini-games and visiting Hamstead Hall.

Homework: Homework will be set on a Friday and returned back on Wednesdays. Children will have one piece of English and Maths, and ten spellings to learn. Children will also need to learn their times tables if they are not secure in this area.

Reading

Children must read daily for at least ten minutes at home. Our class reader is Goodnight Mr Tom which is about when a young boy, Willie Beech is evacuated to the countryside at the start of World War Two. He is a sad and deprived child, who slowly begins to flourish under the care of kind old Tom Oakley. Then his poor mother summons him back to war-torn London... Will he ever see Mister Tom again?

Kind regards,

Mr Skinner. Mrs Sumal, Mrs Whitehouse