

# Curriculum Newsletter

## Summer Term ~ Year 5&6

Hello! It's the Summer Term! Where on Earth has that come from?! As we hit the ground running on the final term's worth of learning, please use the newsletter to question your child on what they have been learning. Keep up-to-date by checking Class Dojo for pictures and information on what we're up to.

Our PROJECT this term is The World Wars. In the first half of the term, the children will learn about The First World War: the key events that triggered the start of the war, what life was like for men, women and animals that served on the battlefields, key events (such as The Christmas Truce), the impact of the Treaty of Versailles and the legacy of The Great War. The second half of the term will focus on The Second World War. The children will explore the Axis powers and Allies of the war and learn what life was like in Britain during the war, paying attention at the Blitz, evacuees and the Women's Land Army. This will all conclude with a themed Summer Performance towards the end of term (dates to be announced). **NOTE:** Parents/Carers, if you have any skills, resources or experiences you can share, it would be much appreciated.

In mathematics, there will be a continued focus on the four operations and problem solving. We will also be focusing on angles and position and direction including geometry. As the Year 6s will undertake SATS this year, Maths Club will continue every Wednesday in the run up to SATS week. Year 5s will consolidate learning from the past year with a focus on fractions, decimals and percentages. Knowledge of times tables will be at the forefront of each of our maths and maths XTRA learning. Please encourage your child to regular log in to TT Rockstars to ensure fluency across all times tables.

In English, we will be using the short film, 'Beyond the Lines,' to carry out some narrative writing. We'll be looking at a new class novel, 'When the Sky Falls' by Phil Earle. We'll use this novel to explore recounts and write some information texts about life during the war. We'll also explore the text and analyse it during guided reading. The children will build on their fluency and comprehension by reading the text aloud and answering questions.

During our Science Weeks, the children will explore electricity as well as living things and their habitats. They will work scientifically and carry out various experiments.

In PE, the children will undertake various activities, led by Premier Education, to build up stamina and strength as well as playing as part of a team.

Our final Jigsaw pieces are 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me,' and these pieces will involve helping children understand and form healthy relationships. They'll also explore and learn about how their bodies will change as they grow. Year 6 parents will receive further information about this, closer to the time.

In music, we'll explore the beat, pulse rhythm and structure of music.

Kind regards, Mr. J Anderson & Mrs. M Higginson & Miss. K Hempenstall

### Reminder:

- Please continue to engage with Class Dojo to keep up to date on what is happening in school and in class.
- Please ensure that your children are reading regularly at home and encourage them to challenge themselves with different texts. Read Theory is also encouraged during 'device time'
- Reading records will be reviewed every Tuesday, but please ensure your child brings it, along with a reading book, with them every day.
- Please encourage children to interact with TT Rockstars to maintain fluency in mathematics.

### Messages:

P.E will take place on Thursday, so we ask that children attend school in their P.E kit, which will be worn all day. This includes burgundy shorts (black/navy/dark grey joggers/leggings if cold), a light blue t-shirt and the school hoodie.

Our class will be swimming during Term 5 as part of our PE provision. Please ensure your child has swim kit with them on Thursdays (including a towel, appropriate swimwear and a swimming cap for those with long hair).