

English

We are starting the term with a narrative unit, based around the short film 'Beyond the Lines', which is a beautifully, emotive clip linked to our topic 'The Great War'.

Following this, we will switch to non-fiction and look at non-chronological reports. Throughout both units, the focus will be on sentence structure, paragraphing and text cohesion. Guided reading and independent tasks will take place each day. Daily reading is a must!

RE

In RE, we will be looking at 'Beliefs and Actions in the World'. Look at how different beliefs underpin the everyday lives and actions of people of a range of different religions.

Geography

In geography we will be looking at Europe, using World War One as the context. We will look at how the map has changed, and comparing a region of the UK with a contrasting European country.

Homework

Termly project: Make a 3D trench - more information on this will be coming.

Weekly: spellings, daily reading and multiplications.

Maths

We will be learning maths using a range of strategies and resources involving numbers up to 10 000 000. We will look initially at place value and the number system before moving onto calculation strategies involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The focus will be on contextual problem solving and deeper thinking. We cover different maths topics in 1, 2 or 3 week blocks and use assessment as we go to move children on to the next steps when we feel they are ready. This year we will be using our new multiplication system to support children in learning the x tables and related facts:

Science

In the first half term, we will be looking at light. We will look at how light travels, as well as things like reflection, refraction and light prisms. We will apply this knowledge in a DT project after half term, where we will design and make trench periscopes linked to our WW1 topic.

After half term, we will be looking at electricity, which will involve lots of practical activities using electronic circuits, which is always a popular topic.

Year 6

The Great War

Trip: Imperial War Museum, Duxford (15.09.17)

Workshop: KS2 SATs (07.11.17)

Celebration Event: Art and DT Exhibition (08.12.17)



PE

In PE, we will be starting the half term with a Tag Rugby unit, which is always a great way to build team work, and develop class cohesion. It will also feed nicely into the Year 6 Tag Rugby Tournament in October.

Computing

We will be creating text-based adventure games in our programming unit, 'We are adventure gamers'.

Music

In music, we will be looking at percussion instruments, and composing short pieces to reflect different aspects of World War One.

History

In history we will be looking at the Great War, which always links well to the Remembrance Activities in November. We will look at the causes of the war, and how it developed, looking at it through the eyes of a typical early twentieth century teenager. Our trip to Duxford will provide an excellent hook for this topic.

Art/DT

We are starting the term with Art and Design, looking at propaganda posters for the war effort and creating our own.

In DT, which will be after half term, we will be applying our knowledge of light from our Science to create trench periscopes.

PSHE

In PSHE we will use circle time, and class discussion, followed up by written work, to look at Citizenship, and the rights and responsibilities that go along with this concept. We will then move onto 'working together'.