



Our Year 6 Classroom News

Autumn Term Information

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Welcome

Hello and welcome to all of our new Year 6 children and parents. We are excited about getting to know the children better and supporting them to make great progress in this very important year in their education.

We kick-start Year 6 with our Autumn term topic called '**Lest we forget**' where we will find out about World War Two.

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Our Topic

Our topic has a history focus and some of the things we will be looking at include The Blitz; evacuation; propaganda; and daily life. This topic also links to a lot of our work in English, when we read good quality texts set during World War 2.

Some key questions we will be considering are:

- When was World War 2 and what were the main events?
- What was daily life like during the war?
- What was the experience of living during World War 2 and being evacuated?
- How did people try to keep safe during the Blitz?
- What are the different viewpoints of World War 2?
- What is propaganda and what was its importance during World War 2?
- What comparisons can be made between World War 2 and other key historical events?
- What was Britain's role during World War 2 and what impact did it have on world history?

We will be learning in an exciting, cross-curricular way in the autumn, meaning lots of subjects will be combined and taught in creative ways, producing wonderful outcomes and promoting a real enthusiasm for the topic.

On Thursday 6th September, we will have our topic **Launch Day** and we would like the children to dress in 'evacuee' outfits (see picture on right). We would also like the children to bring in a suitcase, in which they have packed items they would like to take with them when evacuated. Throughout that day, we will be doing fun and exciting activities to launch our topic.

PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THIS LETTER FOR A LIST OF RECOMMENDED READS FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAY.

Things to Remember

PE:

Year 6 will need their Indoor PE kit on a Wednesday and their outdoor kit on a Friday. Please ensure your child has the appropriate kit.

Home Learning: In Year 6, the children are expected to do more homework than previously, to help prepare them for secondary school. As well as doing their very best in school, we expect the children's homework to be completed to a very high standard and to be handed in on time. The support and encouragement you give your child is vital and really helps to develop a good routine for the future. Each week, the children will have reading, maths and spelling homework. In addition we will periodically send science and topic homework.

* Reading Journals and Maths homework are due in on Mondays.

* Spelling homework is due in on Tuesdays. All homework is handed out by the Thursday of the previous week.



Important Dates

5 th Sept	Children back to school
6 th Sept	Launch Day
10 th Sept	Meet the Teacher at 9am KS2 Hall
19 th Sept	Secondary transfer and school journey meeting, 6:30pm
19 th Sept	Chislehurst Caves trip
17 th and 18 th Oct	Parents Evenings
20 th Dec	Y6 Carols in the Church