

January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Curriculum focus: WW2**

**Starting point: Goodnight Mister Tom**

**End product: Shelter project**

The following outlines the work we shall be covering this term. We hope that this gives you a clear indication of what your children will be learning.

It is also important this term that your children are revising and consolidating skills that they have learned in lessons. They will be bringing home grammar and maths revision guides to support their learning. The expectation is that the children revise on top of any other homework that is set. Websites such as BBC schools are also great in aiding the revision process.

Please also refer to the year 6 booklet that was given to you last term.

Subject	Focus	Suggestions for parents
<b>Maths</b>	<p>As well as revising times tables etc, we will be covering a wide range of subjects during maths activities, including: using mental strategies to solve problems; working with larger numbers; fractions, decimals &amp; percentages; ratio and proportion; algebra, measurements, shapes, angles and coordinates; and interpreting graphs / charts.</p> <p><b><i>It is vital that all children are fluent in their times table knowledge (division facts as well)</i></b></p> <p>We follow the White Rose scheme and there are some free resources available on the parent part of their website: <a href="https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/free-downloads#download">https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/free-downloads#download</a></p>	<p>Please ensure your child knows all <b>times tables facts up to 12x12 and the corresponding division facts</b>.</p> <p>Children can use TT Rock stars to help them practice their tables.</p> <p>Practise them every day to build proficiency. At the moment, this is holding lots of children back from progressing in other areas of maths. The mental arithmetic test requires speed and accuracy to obtain a good score.</p> <p>Support your child to tell the time on a 12 hour and 24 hour clock.</p>

<b>Literacy</b>	<p>Novels studied this term will include Goodnight Mr Tom and Rose Blanche (linked to our overall WW2 theme). We will also be using a variety of Arthurian legends as part of a unit on Merlin.</p>	<p><b>Read</b> to your child regularly and encourage them to <b>read to you</b>.</p> <p>Please then <b>discuss</b> the texts that you have read together, including how an</p>
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<b>RE:</b>	This term we will be looking at a variety of religions and finding out what they tell us about coping with hardships.	Discuss what they have learned in school.
<b>Music:</b>	Music: learning about rhythm.	Listen to and explore music children have heard at school.
<b>PE:</b>	Gymnastics Games – Invasion Games (putting the skills into practise in a game)	Please ensure that your child has the correct PE Kit in school for indoor and outdoor lessons.
<b>PSHE:</b>	Health and wellbeing We will be learning about ways to maintain physical, emotional and mental health and wellbeing.	Discuss what your child has learned with them at home. Take a look at the wellbeing part of the BBC website: <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/moodboosters/pshe-ks1-ks2-recharge/ztvvg2p">https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/moodboosters/pshe-ks1-ks2-recharge/ztvvg2p</a>

Some dates for your diaries:

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 6pm: Virtual SATs information meeting (online)**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024-Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024: Art Week**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024: HALF TERM**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024: Parents consultations**

**Easter Holidays: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**School starts back for the Summer term on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Homework** – As well as revision, written or maths homework will be set when appropriate to consolidate learning. Children should be reading daily. Weekly spelling lists will be sent home for children to learn.

**School day** – *Please remember that school starts at 8:50am and finishes at 3:30pm. Please ensure that your children arrive on time and that you collect them promptly.*

*If your child is absent from school for any reason, please contact the school (welfare room option 1) on the first day of absence and send a letter when they return.*

**Uniform** -*To help avoid belongings going missing, please make sure that all clothing and footwear is **clearly labelled** with your child's name.*

We are looking forward to an exciting and busy term with a wide range of opportunities for your children.

**The Year 6 Team**