

Literacy

Our focus for literacy this half term is based around Alan Turing and the Enigma code of World War 2. We will use this as the basis of our learning, writing a biography where we will be looking at his life and work at Bletchley Park. We will focus on skills of commas and varying sentence structure before writing three small diary entries from the perspective of Alan. We will consider what his life was like at three significant points: in his childhood at school, his frustration with the unbreakable Enigma code and when Enigma was finally broken.

Maths

This half term in maths we will be focusing on multiplication, division, ratio and algebra. Multiplication and division will be key aspects to the rest of our learning throughout Year 6. We will look at a range of problems involving these, as well as using these skills to ratio and algebra.

Please encourage your child to practice their times tables as they will need these throughout Year 6 and practice any maths learning that they have learnt within school. We will be inviting parents into school to share the maths learning for Year 6 at a later date.

Computing

This half term, our IT focus will continue on coding. We will be using our Purple Mash software to plan and create our own game, using variables such as timers. Towards the end of the half term, we will begin looking at spreadsheets, using Purple Mash and Excel.

War and Conflict

Geography

Whilst we analyse wars from over the years, we are going to focus our attention onto the areas of the world where key wars have taken place in the past and present day. We will use this to compare continents and countries and analyse changes over time. Please encourage your children to practice locating and labelling the continents of the world.

History

We are starting a brand-new unit as part of our History in Suffragettes. We will be looking at what democracy was like in the 19th century and how this differs to today's democracy. During this, we will focus on women's suffrage and how women finally received the vote in parliament. Be prepared for some heated discussions regarding women's right and creating this equally as the children learn all about it.

PE

Our P.E focus this term is OAA (Outdoor Adventurous Activities)

Please ensure your child has their PE kits every Thursday.

Art and DT

In art this term, we will be continuing on war propaganda posters, linking with our DT project. We will use our sketching skills to recreate the Your Country Needs You poster, printing our own slogan. Our DT will continue as we will be making our propaganda poster, which light up and move! Wish us luck!

Science

In science, we will be continuing our electricity unit with a focus on the history of the development of electricity. We will look at the significant electrical developments of the past and how these affects and benefit our lives today. We will learn some key scientists who have contributed to electrical science in history.

Y6 Autumn 2 Newsletter

We hope you have had a wonderful half-term and that the children are coming back refreshed and ready for the final term of 2023.

Our topic for this half term is continuing War and Conflict. We will be looking into a range of conflicts including WW1 and WW2, comparing them to modern day wars. We will be considering, through our global learning, how these events shaped the world we live in today and consider the lessons we have learnt.

Please, as you usually do, encourage your children to practice learning and reading at home. This will support them with their learning and their knowledge and understanding. Handwriting, reading and maths is a huge focus for us this term in Year 6 so please encourage your children to be practicing this at home. Learning at home incentives are in place and this will

PE

Class 13's PE will be on a **Thursday afternoon**.

Class 14's PE will be on a **Thursday afternoon**.

Appropriate kits are expected to be in school on these days as both are important and enjoyable parts of the curriculum.

REMINDER: Children's P.E. kits should consist of blue or black shorts, a white t-shirt and trainers or pumps. Tracksuit bottoms are optional during colder weather.

Please also ensure that your children have appropriate P.E. kit, should lessons need to be outside, thank you.



Important dates for your diary:

- Monday 30th October – Training Day
- Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th November (1:45pm-2:45pm) – Christmas Card Workshop in the Hepworth Centre
- Wednesday 22nd November – Christmas Fayre
- Wednesday 29th November – Friday 1st December – Y6 Residential
- Friday 22nd December – Last day of term