English

This term our literacy work will be linked to our topic: ***World Wars and Their Impact.*** *We will be studying a number of texts including "One Boy's War" by Lynn Huggins-Cooper and "Archie's War: My scrapbook of the First World War" by Marcia Williams. We will also be studying poetry through famous poets of the wartime era. Through these texts we will be exploring a variety of writing types and genres, perfecting our punctuation and grammar skills and improving our reading skills.*

Please do encourage your child to read at home as much as possible – great readers make great writers! We will have a weekly spelling test on Fridays. New spellings will be put on Google Classroom as part of the homework.

Maths

We will begin by revising place value, before moving onto the four number operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) using both mental and written calculations. We will also be developing our fraction knowledge and our knowledge of geometry (exploring four quadrants, translations and reflections). Throughout the term, we will also be regularly revisiting prior learning to build and maintain our fluency across all areas of Maths. It is crucial that children can recall their times tables facts (up to 12 x 12) quickly and accurately, please encourage your child to practise regularly — we have access to Times Table Rock Stars to support with this!

PSHE

We will be learning to recognise, predict and assess risk when cycling; to know how to stay safe when travelling independently; and to identify risks and risky behaviour in our local area. We will also be learning how and when to do CPR.

Science

During the Autumn Term, Year Six will be investigating and learning about light. Through planning and carrying out experiments they will learn to recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines and use this to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

Furthermore, the children will use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye and explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes. Throughout the term children will have the opportunity to develop their scientific skills as well as knowledge and understanding.

P:E

This term, we are developing our skills through gymnastics and tag rugby. In tag rugby we will be expanding our previous knowledge of rules and applying this through developing our leadership skills. In gymnastics, we will work on improving our travel, flight, balance and rotation skills on large equipment.

French

This term in French we will be developing our knowledge of Francophone countries. We will be doing research about their origins, flag, motto, daily life, official languages and beliefs.

Religious Education

This term the children will be focusing on the question: How has the Christian message survived? We will learn about how the Christian message was spread in the past, what persecution is and why it stops people from sharing, the Ascension & Pentecost and the relevance to Christians in the past and present day.

History

This half term, the children will be learning all about the WW1 and WW2 the lasting impact of these wars. We will be investigating how the wars began; which countries were involved; life as a soldier; life back at home; and how the wars ended.

We will be discussing how these wars impacted life back in Britain and what the effect of the wars had on future generations.

Geography

Our geographical learning this term will be linked to the World Wars and the geography of the countries involved.

Music

Our music lessons this term will focus on rhythm notation as we continue to build on our string instrument skills.

Computing

Children will be using various online resources to carry out historical research. In addition, they will use their computing skills to present their learning in a range of programmes. The children will be learning about e-safety and understanding algorithms.

Art and Design

We will be looking at the history of wartime art and how art was used to rally the troops and keep morale high on the home front. We will create our own versions of wartime art and propaganda posters .