

English

Fiction: We will be reading 'Private Peaceful' by Michael Morpurgo and completing character studies. We will also read excerpts from 'Goodnight Mr Tom' and write first person accounts, through the eyes of an evacuee. War poetry will enable us to explore figurative language.

Non-Fiction: To begin with we will be writing reports about why the wars started and what life was like both at home and in the trenches. Then we will explore the language of argument and debate through the careful consideration of questions such as "Should everyone have fought?" and "Was life like a holiday for an evacuee?"

We will also write newspaper reports to document the cease-fire at Christmas, when the soldiers played football together.

Topic

This term we will be studying wars, as requested by the children at the end of last term. We will primarily be learning about both world wars, but we'll also look at wars that are happening in the world today and the reasons for them. Key facts, figures and dates will be studied, as well as finding out about children and families in war time and how ways of life were changed forever.

Look out for a letter soon about our visit to the Eden Camp war museum.



Maths

Maths will be taught according to your child's ability.

This term we'll be looking at place value and the four areas of calculation. We will look at solving calculation problems in a variety of contexts and will develop reasoning skills. Fractions learning will dominate much of the second half term. Terrific tables - Children should practise their tables every night to help them reach the top of the terrific tables ladder this year. Year 6 children are expected to know all times tables and associated division facts, to instant recall.

Year 6 Topic Web

WAR AND PEACE

Autumn 2017

Science

To match our war topic we will be experimenting with materials that react when placed together - hopefully with explosive results! We will be focusing heavily on making predictions, recording results and evaluating the reliability of our results.

Please make sure full PE kit stays at school all week (no football strips please), as the timetable may change from time to time. For health and safety reasons, earrings will need to be removed and long hair tied back.