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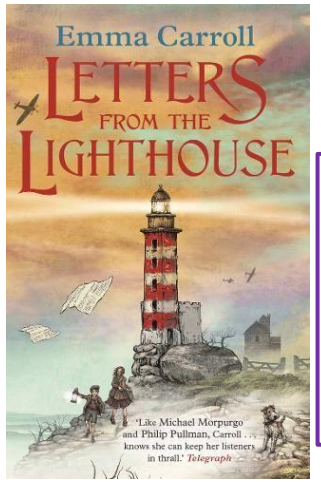
In our history lessons, Year 6 will learn about WW2. We will learn about significant events that took place during the Second World War.

Our crucial curriculum content for this topic is:

- To be able to explain what life was like for the people of Britain during World War 2, including the impact of rationing, air raid strikes and evacuation.
- To understand the role Sir Winston Churchill played in motivating the British public at a time when it looked like the war would be lost.
- To understand how the significant turning points in the war that would ultimately lead the Allies to victory: the evacuation of Dunkirk, Battle of Britain, bombing of Pearl Harbour, D-Day and VE Day.

History

World War Two



Reading

Writing

DT

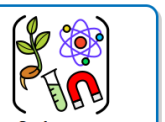
Our key text for this topic is 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. We will read the story during class novel time and explore the book in our reading lessons.

In writing lessons, we will continue to develop our use of a wide range of punctuation. We will be writing diary entries and letters in role as WW2 evacuees. We will write our own non-chronological report about WW2.
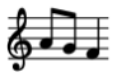
In DT lessons, we will make scones as part of a VE Day style celebration in school! We will design and apply practical cooking skills hygienically and safely.

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Science

In science lessons, we will learn about evolution and inheritance. We will learn that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. We will identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.


music

Our music lessons will be focused around jazz. Pupils will listen and appraise jazz music before using glockenspiels to play instrumental parts.


PE

In PE lessons, we will develop our Basketball skills. With Soccer Stars, we will develop our gymnastics skills.


PSHE

In PSHE, we will learn about loss. We will understand that changes are a part of life and that we can adapt to new circumstances. Pupils will discuss some coping strategies for difficult situations that cannot be changed.


RE

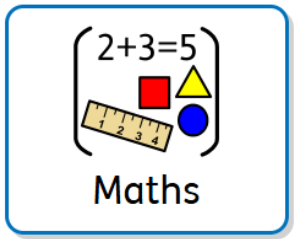
In RE we will focus on Christianity. We will discuss the question 'Does belief in the Trinity make better sense of God as a whole?'.


Computing

In computing, we will develop our understanding of how to stay safe online.

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In maths, we will simplify and compare fractions, add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers, multiply and divide fractions by whole numbers.

We will refine our written methods for the four operations and practise our arithmetic fluency with regular arithmetic quizzes.

Times Tables continue to be a vital aspect of our maths lessons and Year 6 should now be fluent in their times tables up to 12x12. Children should continue to practise times tables at home using Times Tables Rock Stars.

This term, we will fulfil the Harmony Pledge 'Be a fundraiser' by participating in school fundraising events for the Royal British Legion and Children in Need.

1. Be safe, happy and healthy
2. Be a fundraiser
3. Be a performer
4. Be an eco-warrior
5. Be respectful
6. Be a volunteer
7. Be democratic
8. Be an adventurer
9. Be an expert learner
10. Be workwise

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