

## Foundation Subjects

**Art & Design**– In art, we are studying the work of Henry Moore. We will observe and explore how he used different media to create images from The Blitz, which will support our work in history.

**History** – In history, we will be looking at the period of World War Two. Here, we will be looking at key events that occurred from 1939 – 1945.

**DT** – In DT, we will be completing a range of different practical activities. These will include such things as rationing recipes, building spitfires and looking at the construction of Anderson Shelters.

**Computing** – In computing, the children will be continuing to develop their understanding of coding and using Scratch and Pivot software.

**PE** – This term, children will be looking at developing their skills in cricket, rounders and athletics. Children will also be doing dance this term.

**French** – In French, we will be learning all about food and drink, with children developing their written and oral skills.

**PSHE** – In PSHE, our topic is 'Healthy Relationships'. Children will explore such things as understanding how it's ok to be different, respecting differences and acting appropriately in the wider world.

**You can help your child by ....** Discussing key events of World War Two and researching further information about this period and understanding the importance of maintaining healthy relationships both inside and outside of school.

## Enrichment

This term, we are pleased to announce children in year 5 and 6 will be attending Forest Schools on a Wednesday morning. This will provide children with the opportunity to work in the outdoors developing key skills.

Children will be attending tennis on a Tuesday afternoon and Dance on a Thursday morning.

Swimming for year 6 will also restart this term. 11R before half-term and 11W after half-term.

## English

In English we will be focussing on short stories and children looking at the work of Roger Hargreaves. Children will also be completing work relating to World War Two completing tasks related to poetry, 'The Blitz' and the text, Rose Blanche. Our focus will be on ensuring children accurately different areas of grammar and punctuation taught.

In reading, we will be looking at various genres and questions relating to them, focussing on the different strands of VIPERS.

Class reads: Now or Never: A Dunkirk Story (11R); Letters from the Lighthouse(11B) and Dragon Mountain (11W).

**You can help your child by ....**

**Continuing to practise spelling from the Y3/4 and Y5/6 spelling list; reading different genres and discussing effective use of dialogue in narrative writing.**

Summer Term

Year 5 and 6

World War Two

Our vision is ...

*A community of confident, creative learners thriving together in a rich, inclusive environment that raises the aspirations of each unique child*

## Science

Evolution and Inheritance – Children will be completing the topic of Evolution and Inheritance in the first part of term. Children will continue learning about how animals adapt to different environments and inherit characteristics. We will also be learning about the work of Charles Darwin.

Humans – The second topic of the term will relate to our human body. Here we will look at such things as living a healthy lifestyle, the circulatory and respiratory systems.

## Maths

### Year 5

This term, the year 5s will be looking at working with decimals, angles and area and perimeter. The children will also be consolidating their understanding of topics covered over the year so far in preparation for year 6.

### Year 6

This term, the year 6s will be looking at new areas including ratio as well as consolidating their understanding of new areas covered term during 'Lockdown' including algebra and pie charts. We will also be looking at developing children's problem-solving and reasoning skills across a variety of different topics before applying them to different projects towards the end of the term.

The children will also have one additional lesson with Mr Yusaf, who will be teaching them arithmetic.

**You can help your child by....**

Continuing to work on the four operations and looking at questions that involve reasoning.

## The Notice Board

Please make sure your child is in the correct PE kit on the day their class comes to school: 11R (Monday); 11W (Friday) and 11B (Thursday).

Please can we ask that, due to current restrictions, children don't bring things in from home where possible.

Please ensure your child bring a change of shoes on a Wednesday for Forest Schools and comes dressed in appropriate clothing for working in the outdoors.

## Dates for your Diary

Tennis – W/C 12/04/21 (Every Tuesday)

Forest Schools – W/C 12/04/21 (Every Wednesday)

Swimming (Year 6 only)

11R – Every Friday from Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June.

11W – Every Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

End of half-term – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021