

Diamond Class Spring term 2024

Thank you so much to all of the children in Year Six for making me feel so welcome in their class. I have very much enjoyed getting to know them all and sharing their enthusiasm for learning.

Reading

Please encourage your child to keep up with their reading at home. It

really makes such a difference to both their reading and writing.



In school, we will be reading our class novel, *Blackout* by Tony Bradman, which is related to our topic of World War II.

Mathematics

Keep practising your times tables at home, in the car or anywhere you can fit it in! Times table fluency is vital, as the maths curriculum relies on this for concepts such as percentages, decimals and written methods for multiplying and dividing larger numbers.

First half-term homework

Spellings— I have given out a sheet that details the spelling list for the half term. The weekly test will be on Fridays.

Grammar—I will be setting a page to complete in their grammar book weekly.

MyMaths— homework will be set each Friday from next week.

Should your child find a particular homework tricky, please encourage them to ask me for help.

OUR TOPIC, 1st HALF-TERM IS WAR CHILD

Our topic this half-term is World War II. During English, the children have enjoyed unpacking an evacuee's suitcase and trying on a gas-mask.



As a class we have researched and created an information text on evacuation. This coming week they will be applying the skills to independently create an information text about rationing. Our focus is on including all of the key features of an information text.

OUR TOPIC, 2nd HALF-TERM

After half-term, our topic will be 'Blood Heart' with a scientific focus on the circulatory system and we will be reading the book *Pig Heart Boy* by Malorie Blackman.

P.E. Days

P.E. lessons during the first half term will be on Wednesday and Thursday. We are learning skills to improve proficiency in football and gymnastics.

First half-term project

'What was World War II like for a child?' You can take this in any direction you wish and present it in a way you like. Given the shorter than usual time-frame to complete this, this project is voluntary.

We are resilient



We show initiative



We apply our knowledge



We motivate ourselves and each other



We investigate our world



We collaborate together

