

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 1—2025-26

English

Our text this half term is 'Friend or Foe' by Michael Morpurgo.

Evacuated from London, David and Tucky feel like the war is a long way away from their new life in the countryside. Then one night, the distant crump of bombing brings the war back to them and shatters their new-found peace.



Science

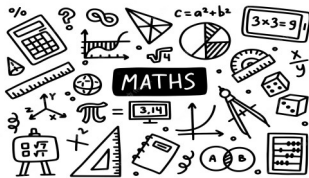
Our topic this half term will be 'Earth and Space'. During this topic, we describe the movement of the Moon, Earth and other planets in relation to the sun. We also look how day and night occurs.



Maths



This half term, we will be focussing on place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be learning to: compare, round and order any integer up to one million; identify multiplies, factors, prime numbers, square numbers and cube numbers and multiply and divide numbers by 10, 100 and 1000.



World War II

Our topic this half term is 'World War II'.

Through this topic, we will be learning about:

- The Battle of Britain and the Blitz
- Churchill and key moments in the war
- Home front



Please remember to read your books at least 3x weekly. Reading Records are due in on **Monday**.

Spelling tests are on a **Friday**.

PE day— Tuesday

Maths homework books—New work to be set every Monday. These will be sent out in the next few weeks.

R.E

- Our topic of study for R.E this half term is Hindu Dharma.

Through this topic, children will learn to explore a variety of forms of literature found in sacred books and investigate a range of religious teachings.

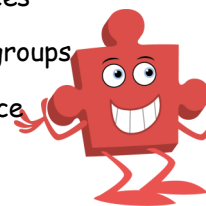


P.S.H.E

Our topic this half term is 'Being me in the World.'

Through this topic, we will be learning about:

- Planning the forthcoming year
- Being a citizen
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Rewards and Consequences
- How behaviour affects groups
- Democracy- having a voice and participating.



Music

In music, we are looking at 'Shaping Music'. We will learn to Improvise freely over a drone or groove and Compose a short ternary piece using Music Note-pad.



Computing

This half term we will be learning about computing systems and networks. We will focus on communication and online safety.



P.E

This half term's PE focus will be 'Invasion Games' and 'Gymnastics'.



Key Dates

- ★ 16th September - WW2 Inspiration Day
- ★ 22nd September—Carbon Monoxide Assembly
- ★ 30th September—School Photo day
- ★ 1st October—3rd October—Laches Wood
- ★ 10th October—World Mental Health Day

- W/C 13th November —Bookfair
- 21st November—Halloween Disco

