

Year 5/6 Curriculum Information

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Autumn 1

Home Learning:

All children in Year 5 and Year 6 are expected to complete a short amount of SATs Companion work per week. There will also be a short quiz for Word Study each week.

This will be set on a Tuesday. We will check that these have been completed the following week and children will be invited to 'home learning club' during Wednesday lunch time to complete any unfinished work.

Further details with log in information will be sent out separately.

PE:

Lions and Rhinos: PE – Tuesday & Thursday **Giraffes and Orangutans**: PE – Thursday & Friday

Outdoor Learning:

Lions and Rhinos: This will take place on alternate weeks every Tuesday starting with Lions on 9th September.

Giraffes and Koalas: This will take place on alternate weeks every Wednesday starting with Giraffes on 10th September.

Library:

Lions, Rhinos and Giraffes: Monday

Orangutans: Friday

Shared Learning/ Theme Outcome:

Year 5 - Our shared learning is from 2:30pm – 3:00pm on **Friday 26**th **September.**

Year 6 - Our shared learning is from 2:30pm – 3:00pm on **Tuesday 23rd September.**

English

The text we will be enjoying as a class is "Letters to the Lighthouse" by Emma Carroll.

Both year groups will also be doing work on "Rose Blanche" by Roberto Innocenti, in preparation for their theme week on World War 2.

Later in the half term, we will be using Letters to the Lighthouse to inspire our own writing. In order to successfully complete a variety of fiction and nonfiction writing, the children will be learning new, and revising old, writing skills.

We will also be continuing our reading skills learning and word study.

Please record any reading done at home on your child's bookmark by initialling on it and writing the date.

Maths

The units which will be covered in the first half term include:

Year 5: Place Value – recognising value, ordering and comparing numbers; Addition and Subtraction – formal column method with more than 4 digits; Measure – length; Geometry – shape and nets.

Year 6: Place Value – recognising value, ordering and comparing numbers; Number and Calculation – recapping the four operations; Multiples, Primes and Factors; BIDMAS – the order of operations

We will be continuing to build on children's speed and fluency of times tables recall through daily practice on Times Table Rock Stars. Please ask the class teacher if you would like more information on how to support them.

Science

This half term we will be learning about electricity. We will learn that:

- Batteries are a store of energy, which is pushed round the circuit. When the battery's energy is gone, this stops.
- The unit of measure for this push is **voltage**.
- **Current** is how much energy is flowing around a circuit.

Theme

Through our theme of 'Your country needs you' we will be:

- The timeline of events leading up to and after the war.
- How the role of women changed during and after the War.
- How WW2 changed society for us today.

Your country needs you!

Important vocabulary

allies	The major group of nations, fighting against the 'axis'. Some of these were Britain and the Commonwealth, France, Poland, Russia and the US.
axis	The group of nations that fought against the allies. The major axis powers were Germany, Italy and Japan.
propaganda	Information, ideas, opinions, or images that give one part of an argument, which are shared in order to influence people's opinions.
evacuation	The process of moving people from an area of danger to somewhere safer. In WW2 this was children in particular.
democracy	A form of government that is represented by 'the people.' Lots of opinions are taken into consideration when a decision is made.

Lindy hop!

This half term, the children will also be taking part in a dance unit inspired by the Lindy hop - a style of dance that was popular during the swing era of the late 1930s and early 1940s!

RAF & invade Britain

July - October 1940

The Battle of Britain

The RAF pilots are

outnumbered against

the German Luftwaffe

but the 'few' put up

an incredible fight &

pilots, calling them the 'few'



The role of women in WW2

Women played important roles during World War II, both at home and in uniform. Not only did they give their sons, husbands, fathers, and brothers to the war effort, they gave their time, energy, and some even gave their lives.

From 1941, women were called up for war work, in roles such as mechanics, engineers, munitions workers, air raid wardens, bus and fire engine drivers. They also played a vital role on the home front, running households and fighting a daily battle of rationing, recycling, reusing, and cultivating food in allotments and gardens.



1942 1939 1940 1941 1943 1944 1945 Hitler tries to destroy the

15 February 1942

The Japanese army

captures Singapore

& take thousands

of Allied prisoners

I September 1939 Germany invades Poland. Britain & France declare

efend Poland by signing theTrea of Versailles afterWW1 in 191

from cities to avoid September 1939 & April again during the 'phoney Europe is mainly

CHILDREN

issue gas masks in case of gas attack & urge

10 May 1940 Germany invades France. Winston Churchill becomes our new Prime Minister

26 May - 4 June 1940 After retreating from the German army 330,000 Allied troops are rescued from Dunkirk by British ships in 'Operation Dynamo'

The courage of the British civilians who take part is known as the 'Dunkirk spirit'. Little ships such as ferries, fishing boats & lifeboats

> The German army enter Paris & take control of France

September 1940 - May 1941 The Blitz The Luftwaffe (the German Air Force) bomb Britain destroying cities & killing 32,000

Winston Churchill honours the outnumbered RAF



March 1941

Women successfully

take on men's jobs to

support the war effort

7 December 1941 Japanese fighter planes attack American ships at Pearl Harbour in Hawaii. The USA joins the Allies in the war

1940 onwards

Food is rationed throughout the war. People are encouraged to 'dig for victory' and grow

Alan Turing & other experts at

Bletchley Park crack the Enigma

code allowing the Allies to read

are called the 'Desert Rats' 12 June 1942 Anne Frank recieves a diary for her thirteenth birthday & describes her life whilst hiding from the Nazis until

23 October 1942

The Allies win the Battle o

El Alamein in North Africa

2 February 1943

The Germans surrende

against the Russians

at Stalingrad in the

Groups of ordinary French people secretly fight against the German occupation of France & help the Allies during the war. hey are called The French Resistance

9 July 1943

The Allies take

control of Sicily

6 lune 1944 'D Day' The Allies take the German by surprise & invade France in 'Operation Overload'



in Normandy. France allow the Allies to finally liberate Paris on 25 August

June - October 1944 Germany bombard Britain with VI guided missiles nicknamed 'Doodlebugs' and V2 rockets that kill thousands of people in the last months of the war

27 January 1945 The Allies liberate Auschwit concerntration camp & discover the full horror of the Holocaust

The Nazis kill 6 millio ewish people in

Royal family wave to crowds of people gathered outside

8 May 1945 'VE Day'

Victory in Europe Day

Germany is defeated



Queen Elizabeth II) joins the Women's Auxiliary Territor

15 August 1945 Victory over Japan -Japan surrenders after atomic bombs destroy

Hiroshima & Nagasaki

