

Writing:

We will be covering a variety of writing styles and skills including diaries from the perspective of an evacuee. The children will also have an opportunity to complete a piece of writing of their choice.



Reading:

We are going to be reading 'Goodnight Mister Tom' by Michelle Magorian in our class guided reading sessions.

History:

We will be organising key events into chronological order. Comparing and contrasting Winston Churchill and Adolf Hitler. We will also learn about evacuees, rationing and the causes and consequences of WW2.

Science:

Investigate light, how it travels and how it produces shadows. Research a famous scientist and explore how reflections work.

PE:

Focus on agility, balance and co-ordination through the 'Real PE' curriculum.

Our topic this half term is: World War 2



How did WW2 impact Britain?

Hook:

We are going to watch a clip of Goodnight Mr Tom, dress up as an evacuee and 'be sent away' to the countryside for the full evacuee experience! The children will work in groups and explain to others how they felt being given a label and being separated from their friends.

Express

The children will recreate a VE Day celebration to mark the end of the war, alongside displaying their learning from the half-term.

Design Technology

Create our own structurally sound Anderson Shelters based on the research we have undertaken in class. Take time to evaluate against the design criteria and prove that our structures are sound.

Maths:

The children will be revisiting and consolidating their knowledge of place value, the four operations and applying these to test-style questions.

Computing:

We will be using different a range of Office and Outlook programs on our 1:1 devices.

PSHE:

Being me in my world

Children will identify their hopes and dreams for the year ahead, understand what it means to be a good citizen, learn about rights and develop a further understanding of what it means to follow our class charter.

RE

Children will learn about Rites of Passage and identify key events celebrated throughout life within both the Christian and Islam faiths.

Music

We will be analysing Happy by Pharrell Williams. We will then perform, compose and improvise around the song.

Things to explore with your child...

**Our PE days are:
Monday & Friday**

Maths:

Daily times tables practice is a fundamental part of your child's mathematical development.

These skills are used in all aspects of this subject.

Other areas to work on include: telling the time and adding and subtracting 4 digit numbers mentally.

Homework

Complete 20 minutes of Times Table Rockstars a week.

Read 4-times a week.

Reading:

Reading is an important part of education and development. Reading a variety of text types with your child, including fiction and non-fiction, will support them with their spelling, writing and comprehensions skills.

Remember to ask questions about what has been read to develop understanding of key characters and concepts.

Creative Zone:

Create a toy from the 1940s.

Construct a model of something that represents World War 2.

Draw a poster to encourage people to stay safe during the war.

Dates:

UTC science workshop –
Tuesday 9th September

School nurses in – Thursday
11th September

Express day – Friday 10th
October

Parents' evening – 13th &
15th October

Trip to D-Day museum –
14th 15th and 16th October

INSET day – Friday 17th
October