

# Year 6 Newsletter



**Autumn 2 2018** This half-term we will be completing our **World War 2 work and doing lots of Christmassy things!**

## English

Focus Texts – Friend or Foe (Michael Morpurgo) and My Secret World War 2 Diary (Marcia Williams).

The children will be using the books as a stimulus for writing a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. They will be applying their SPaG learning in context and broadening their vocabularies.

SPaG for this half-term includes - Expanded noun phrases., modal verbs, comma use, present and past tense, parenthesis, antonyms and synonyms, subjunctive form

## Maths

The children will be doing lots of reasoning work to keep on top of their four operations skills.

**Fractions:** We will be using common factors to simplify fractions and using common multiples to express fractions in the same denomination; comparing and ordering fractions; multiplying simple pairs of proper fractions; dividing proper fractions. The children will learn to associate fractions with division and calculate decimal fractions equivalents for a simple fraction and recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages

## Science

**Electricity (linked to Christmas D and T Project)**

The children will learn to associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.

They will compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.

We will learn to use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.

## Geography

We will start our next topic - **What is a river?**

The children will work on their locational knowledge – recognising where key places and features are in the world and learn about human and physical geography – recognising topographical features and how they were formed.

We will venture outdoors to work on our geographical skills and carry out fieldwork – using a range of resources and local studies

## Other Subjects

This half-term our PE will be on Monday and Friday. We will be doing dodgeball and circuits.

Computing – Designing, writing and debugging programs.

French – Our town. Revising numbers and letters using grid references, writing in sentences and using description.

Art – Textiles linked to Christmas

RE – Incarnation

PSHE – Celebrating difference

**Year 6 Class Assembly – On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November (10am) the children will be sharing what they have learned about World War 2 in their class assembly. Everyone welcome!**