

## ENGLISH

This half term our English units will link to our history learning about World War Two and the Battle of Britain. The children will read and examine newspaper reports about The Blitz and will learn the features of unbiased report writing. They will then use these skills to produce a newspaper report about the bombing of Pearl Harbour. Additionally, pupils will write spy stories based on the heroic actions of SOE (the Special Operations Executive - a major British spy organisation during WWII) agents during the War.

## SCIENCE

Children will learn about the human circulatory system and the parts of the body which comprise this. They will begin to understand the flow of blood around the body and what happens during its journey. Pupils will have the opportunity to learn about and test their own pulse rate.

## PE

For indoor PE children will continue to develop and master the skills required for gymnastics. Outdoor PE will be football; children will recap and further develop their passing and team-playing skills.

## PSHE

The PSHE theme for this half term will be 'Celebrating Difference'. Children will learn about what 'difference' means and link this to prejudice and the anti-discrimination laws in this country as well as make links with the UNCRC Articles.

## MUSIC

This half-term, pupils will be introduced to some of the possibilities of sounds available when playing the guitar. They will acquire a basic knowledge of the fretboard using one, two and three strings. They will learn and practice sight-reading which includes basic notions of music theory.

## FRENCH

In this football-themed unit, the children will develop their reading, listening and French speaking skills based on footballers' profiles.

## MATHEMATICS

Year 6 will begin this half term by exploring calculations involving division, exploring the structure of division and how ratio can be used to complete calculations beyond known times tables facts. This leads on to children developing their understanding of fractions and mixed numbers. They will learn how to simplify, compare and order fractions. Pupils will explore how to convert between improper fractions and mixed numbers and how to apply this when using the four operations with fractions.

## COMPUTING

Pupils will investigate how Alan Turing led the Allies to victory with his code-cracking skills. They will apply these skills collaboratively in a programming project which will lead them to transmit encrypted messages over a local network to another pupil, decrypt the message and then return an appropriate message to the sender.

## RE

We will be researching, learning about and discussing the roles and duties of leaders, including examples in both religious and secular communities. Children will be given guided opportunities to evaluate the role of more than one religious leader.

## HISTORY

Children will be studying World War Two: Britain at War. They will explore why the war began, understand the role of Britain and the Allies and explore the evacuation. From an interactive workshop, pupils will gain a better understanding of how the role of women changed in society, explore how the Enigma code was cracked and even experience a bomb disposal exercise. They will examine primary sources to help them gain a deeper understanding of life at that time.

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