



Thistle Hill Academy



Year 6 Class Newsletter, Term 1

Key Dates

Tuesday 3rd September
Visitor

Friday 4th October
Dover Castle Trip

Wednesday 9th October
Fabulous Finish

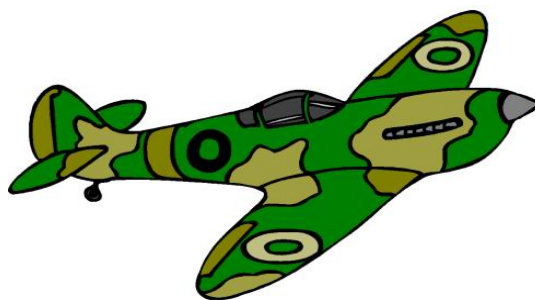
Creative Curriculum - World War II

We will be learning about World War II in term one and we will be working collaboratively to: answer historical questions; locate countries and role play the German invasion of Europe; understand what the Holocaust was and what it meant for the Jewish people; use mathematical skill to decipher secret messages using WW2 strategies; learn about the effects of propaganda and understand why it was used in WW2; participate in class discussions and debates.

PE

Please ensure PE kits are in school during the week as PE slots are subject to change.

Our Outdoor PE topic is Health related exercise and our Indoor PE topic is Outdoor Adventurous Activities.



English

We will be linking our English writing with our topic. Our texts include: *The Boy in the Striped pyjamas* and *Otto: The autobiography of a teddy bear*.

Some of our writing will include: • Diary Entries • Setting Descriptions and Character Analysis'.

We will also be developing our reading skills and spelling knowledge alongside our writing.

Sentence structure, cursive handwriting and the spellings of high frequency and common exception words will also be a key focus.

Computing

In Computing, we will be designing and writing a program, introducing a function, using user input, using flowcharts and controlling simulations and using 2Code to make a text-based adventure.

Maths

In maths this term we will be covering the following topics:

- Place Value
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division.

Times Tables Rock Stars logins can be found inside your child's homework book.

RE

In RE this term, we will be thinking about 'What religions say when life gets hard'.

Reading

Reading is a key focus in year 6. Reading regularly at home is essential and will support your child's progress. Please ensure your child reads every night for 20 minutes.

Reading Bookmarks - Remember to write in reading records, every time your child reads. This includes reading on Bug Club.

For every time your child reads, they will receive a sticker on their bookmark. When they have reached 30 stickers, they will get to choose a free book from Mrs Bevan!

Science

We aim to:

- Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood
- Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions.
- Record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs.

Homework

Please note that English and Maths homework will be given out on a Friday and is due in the following Thursday.

Spanish

In Spanish this term we will be continuing to learn how to have conversations in Spanish.