

This term's project in Year 6

Topic Name

We Shall Never Surrender!

Driving Question

Why do people still talk about Winston Churchill?
When you mention the name, people seem to instantly know who you're referring to. But why? Who was he and what did he do? Why is he so memorable? How could one man have such an influence? All will be revealed as we explore World War II.

Learning Launch

On the first day back, we'll be diving straight into the project with an overview of WWII, sharing Knowledge Organisers, plotting allies and axis countries on a map and listening to song of the 1940s!

How Can You Help?

- Talk to friends and families about their wartime or post-war experiences;
- Find out what happened in your local area during World War II;
- Visit any World War II themed museums or public places of interest when allowed to do so;
- Find out about the types of fruit and vegetables grown during the war and have a go at growing some in your own garden;
- Learn about World War II aircraft – in particular the four that our school Houses are named after.

Experiences, Visits & Visitors

- If we're able to, a visit to Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre, East Kirkby to learn about how the local area was utilised during World War II.
- World War II cookery experience – rationing may have been tough but does that mean all food was bad?

English

We will be writing a narrative inspired by *Letters From The Lighthouse*, a biography on Winston Churchill, a recount from the first night of The Blitz, a discussion around whether or not World War II should ever have happened, and we will be writing diaries as though we were WWII evacuees. As ever, we will also be taking advantages of situations that crop up over the term and writing about those too!

Mathematics

We will be learning how to use decimals, percentages and algebra. We will then move on to learning about measurement – converting between imperial and metric units, finding perimeter, area and volume, and finally learning about and applying ratio. We will also be applying all of our mathematical knowledge so far to solve problems and investigate.

Things To Remember

Homework

The way homework works will remain unchanged from last term. Reading continues to be one of the most important things you can do to support your child's progress at home. Thank you so much to you all for your support with this last term – it really has made a huge difference to the class.

Please remember to sign your child's homework diary each week to show that you are aware of their home learning.

PE

We're no longer swimming so we'll have an additional PE session each week. Please ensure that your child's PE kit comes into school first thing on Monday morning. When the weather is colder, we recommend tracksuit bottoms and jackets for outdoor PE sessions.

Knowledge Summary

You will find a Knowledge Organiser with this letter or on our school website. This will show all of the basic key knowledge that children need throughout the topic and we would really appreciate you sharing this information with your child. You might even want to find out more facts to share in class!

Secondary School

Starting gently over this Spring term, we will start to explore secondary school life by looking at the skills children need, differences in routine and offering them opportunity to discuss any excitement/anxieties about secondary school life. This is a perfect chance for you to start supporting this at home too.

