



Conflict – Term 2 – Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have our remembrance memorial at St Mary's Church along with Year 5 on Monday 11th November – we will be honouring those from our locality who served during World War 1 and 2. We also have a visit prior to that from Captain George Harrill, who served as a medic during World War 2.

In **English**, we will use Rose Blanche as our text, which evokes a lot of thought and emotion, particularly looking at the war from a German child's perspective. We will have lots of writing opportunities to explore this text – this will include biographies of Anne Frank, argument writing and a re-telling of the class text.

In **Reading** – We continue our whole class reading lessons, working together to have high-quality conversations and model answers. The texts will vary across the term, including fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

In **Maths**, we are focusing on the four operations, fractions and converting units. Fractions is a big unit and a hugely important part of the Y6 curriculum as it often has a heavy weighting in SATs questions, as well as in other elements of the maths curriculum. We will be continuing our weekly arithmetic practice on a Friday, particularly timing and suitable strategies.

Homework

Maths: Children are required to complete their Doodle Maths homework (Staying in the green zone – this is achieved by collecting their **weekly target stars**). They are also expected to complete their TT Rockstars session (15 mins per week) **OR** Doodle Tables (Target stars). This is monitored in school and those not completing it will be expected to do so on a Friday.

Reading: Children are required to read with an adult 4 times a week at home and this should be recorded in their planner. This is checked on Mondays.

Spellings: Children are required to complete their weekly spellings – 3 different ways, including 1 of these being the words written in context. This is checked on Fridays.

PE days will continue to be on a **Thursday & Friday**. They will be doing dance and handball this term. A reminder that children come into school wearing their kit on those days. Please ensure PE kit is in line with school policy.

In this history-driven theme, we will look at what led to the events of WW2 and Hitler's involvement, the impact of propaganda, Blitz life, evacuees and Christmas during the war. In **art**, children will complete their drawing unit through the theme of WW2. In **Science**, we will look at evolution and inheritance. All other foundation subject themes for the term can be found on our school website or in the welcome meeting presentation (available on the website class page)

Wishing you all a restful half term,
Mrs Holmes