

### **Essential information for parents**

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#### Writing

We will continue to undertake independent writing projects from our novel. Within this project, we will be further developing our narrative skills, but also taking opportunities to write more formally and persuasivelyformats which allow the most gifted writers to showcase their abilities. Therefore, we will be:

- Drafting and writing by selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary.
- Understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning.
- Proof reading for spelling and punctuation errors.
- Organising and ordering contributions logically so that others can understand their points easily.
  - Presenting ideas learning giving an introduction and conclusion when appropriate.

### World at War

A siren sounds, a building crumbles, a Spitfire zooms overhead. Take cover. It's 1939 and Britain is at war. Children will learn learn why nations ere fighting and why child evacuees took the long journey from their homes and families into unknown territory.



We'll delve deep into a bygone era, when loose lips sunk ships- we'll look at the causes, events and consequences of the First and Second World Wars, the influence of new inventions on warfare, how life in Great Britain was affected and the legacy of the wars in the post-war period, as well as applying our knowledge by 'making do and mending'!



# Maths

This half term, we will be:

- Focusing on problem solving and the reasoning paper.
- Recieving regular reasoning pracrise to further refine our judgements on what mathematical operations to use in a variety of contexts.

Please be aware that regular papers will be sent home.

Remind children that I am not seeking perfection: any mistakes are to be used as learning opportunities within school and we all learn through our own mistakes!

#### P.E.

We are lucky to be working with professional sports coaches in P.E., and will be focussing on gymnastics this half term.

#### Science

Building on our work from Year 4, children will learn to represent circuits using symbols in a diagram. They will learn about two of the most important scientific inventors in the field of electricity – Thomas Edison and Nikola Tesla. Children will get the opportunity to develop their understanding of what electricity is and how to measure it. As well as conducting their own investigation, they will get the opportunity to create their own torch!

# Mathletics

In the lead up to SATS, Mathletics should be used on a daily basis. This platform can be accessed from any web browser, including phones and tablet devices. A weekly Mathletics leaderboard will be presented in class, with awards given to children who spend the most time on the site.



### Homework

Homework will be sent home weekly, with a specific focus on mathematical reasoning and application of grammatical rules.

Each homework sheet should be accompanied by revision guidance, allowing both yourself and the child to develop greater understanding of the topics covered.

# Help and Support

If you need help or any support, or want to talk about your child, I am more than happy to meet before or after school.

Children continue to work superbly together- I am proud of each and every child and the progress they have made this year.

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