

Spring One Term Year 6



English

In English lessons we will use the picture book *Where the Poppies Now Grow* to inspire writing informal letters and diaries describing the battlefield.

We will also write descriptive poems in response to the classic poem *The Song of Wandering Aengus* by **W.B. Yeats**.

We will write to inform as we find out about the life and career of **Walter Tull**, the English professional footballer and British Army officer of Afro-Caribbean descent. We will continue to develop our greater depth writing skills using *The Hound of the Baskervilles* by **Sir Arthur Conan Doyle** as a stimulus to describe the 'hell-hound' incorporating the concept of suspense and tension.

We are reading...



Homework

Reading: Daily
TT Rockstars: Daily (5 minutes per day)

Spelling Shed: Daily (20 games per week)

Monday: Reading comprehension

Tuesday: Maths

Wednesday: Grammar

Thursday: Spelling

Maths

Ratio: Add or multiply; use ratio language; ratio symbol; ratio and fractions; scale drawing; scale factors; similar shapes; ratio problems; proportion; recipes

Algebra: Function machines; form expressions; substitution; formulae; equations

Decimals: Rounding decimals; calculations with decimals

History

Twentieth Century Conflict

This term we will learn about the First World War and the causes of the Second World War. We will learn about Hitler's rise to power and what life was like for children during World War Two. To enhance and deepen our understanding of this significant period in World History, we will visit the **STEAM Railway Museum** in Swindon for their special "We'll Meet Again" wartime festival for schools where pupils will become immersed in the sounds and sights of the Home Front.

R.E

Unit 6E: Baptism and Confirmation

Children will learn about the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. They will explore the signs and symbols of these Sacraments and will hear about the gift of the Holy Spirit being given in the celebration of these Sacraments.

Unit 6F: Lent

Children will develop their knowledge and understanding of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. They will examine the teaching of Jesus and think about why they might be important activities for Christians today.

Science

Light

Children will be taught that light appears to travel in straight lines. They will also explain how objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. Children will use their knowledge to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. There will be opportunities throughout the unit to work scientifically, including planning and carrying out an investigation in the context of finding reflective material for children's clothing; measuring and recording their observations.

DT

During the Second World War, the government encouraged people to 'Make do and Mend.'

Children will learn how to repair, re-use and reimagine existing clothes. They will be challenged to use old clothing or material to apply their measuring, cutting and stitching skills to design and make a handy item of clothing or soft toy.



Music

A New Year Carol

All the learning is focussed around the song from Benjamin Britten's Friday Afternoons: A New Year Carol. Children will also have the opportunity to research Benjamin Britten's life and to listen to his other works

PE

Netball: Passing and moving; attacking and defending; shooting; applying skills in competitive games
Sports hall Athletics: Children will develop the skills of running, jumping and throwing and aiming. They will gain knowledge of the nature of athletic activities and make effective evaluations of strength and weaknesses in their own and others' performances.

Computing

How can I present information on a Website?

This unit introduces learners to the creation of websites for a chosen purpose. Learners identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites. Throughout the process learners pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the site, and navigation paths.

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Module 1, Unit 2 - Spots and Sleep

Module 1, Unit 3- Seeing Stuff online

- British Values: Mutual Respect
- Healthy Me: Health and Fitness; Healthy Me; Health Prevention and Basic First Aid

We will use the picture book The King of the Sky by Nicola Davis to explore attitudes towards immigration and link this to our History topic.

Spanish

Consolidation of speaking and listening skills