



8A Class Newsletter

Spring

Our Theme

Our theme for Spring is "Tanks and Trenches".

Have a look below at how we will be learning all about this across our curriculum!



My Communication

In My Communication we will be focusing on letters, postcards, newspapers war poetry and acrostic poems. We will be continuing to practise daily functional words and reading daily. We will also be practising our hand writing across the school day.

We will be practising our communication skills when out on weekly community visits.

We will be working on reading, writing and communication and interaction ALI's across the timetable.



My Thinking and Problem Solving

In My Thinking and Problem Solving we will be learning to develop our number skills, capacity, time and fractions skills. In Design Technology we will be working on comparing how we eat now to how they ate during the war.

We will be working on number and cognition and learning ALI's across the timetable.



The World about Me

In The World about Me, we will be learning about what life was like during the war and a child's eye view from the home front.

We will also be looking at food preparation and ways in which we can make war time recipes safely.

We will be using our ipads to support our learning across the curriculum.



Me and My Body

In Me and My Body, we will be taking part in lots of physical activity across the timetable including sensory regulation, riding bikes and playing on the playground equipment. We will be learning dance and trying a range of outdoor activities throughout the term.

We will be learning about all the different ways we can stay healthy and look after our own bodies. We will also be learning about hazards, dangerous situations and ways we can keep ourselves safe during those times. We will also be focusing on learning about personalised personal care and looking after our hygiene.



My Community

In My Community, we will be learning all about first aid, different careers linked to our topic, important people in our lives, feelings and how we can compromise in different situations. Within technology we will be learning about age restrictions and protecting our personal data.

In RE we will be learning all about the Bible, how to be a good Samaritan and people of different faiths.



My Creativity

In My Creativity, we will be learning all about jazz and different dance styles performed during war time. They will be learning all about these aspects through dance and music throughout the term.

Things to remember



- ✓ We have PE on a Friday. Please send in PE kits every Thursday.
- ✓ Swimming is on a Tuesday. Please send in swimming kits on Monday each week.
- ✓ We will be going on community visits on Mondays. Please send in warm coats and appropriate footwear for walking.
- ✓ We will be emailing you when your child has work to be shared on Evidence for Learning to see your child's learning across the curriculum.
- ✓ Sharing Our Learning will take place on the 30th of January and the 1st of February (these sessions will be split into half a class each session)

Key Vocabulary



Tanks
Trenches
War
Soldiers
Rations
Shelter
Wartime
Home front
Anderson shelter
Jazz
Acrostic poem
Battle field
Evacuee



How can you help at home?

There are lots of ways to support your child's learning at home. Have a look at the suggestions below for some ideas:

- ✓ Reading with your child using the resources provided in their Reading Pack.
- ✓ Using key vocabulary, Makaton signs and symbols when communicating with your child.
- ✓ Incorporating your child's Aspirational Learning Intentions into your routine at home.
- ✓ Showing your child how to turn take and have a two way conversation.
- ✓ Taking your child to the shops where possible, to practice exchanging coins for items.



Home-School Communication

Home-school communication is important to us and helps us to support your child the best that we can. Here are some different ways to keep in touch...

- ✓ Writing in the home-school diary
- ✓ Emailing me at robertsonz@astleypark.lancs.sch.uk
- ✓ Coming into school for parents evening (or attending via TEAMS) and sharing our learning sessions when possible
- ✓ Commenting on your child's Evidence for Learning posts

