

English

This term we will start by looking at the classic poem, "Jabberwocky" as we revise our knowledge of word classes and grammar. Our first class novel will be "Stay Where You are and Then Leave" by John Boyes, a story set in World War 1, linking to our topic. We will also look at war poetry by poets including Wilfred Owen and John Binyon. We will then read the World War 2 based novel, "Goodnight Mister Tom" which we will use as the basis for our narrative writing. The picture book "Rose Blanche" will also help us to reflect on the impact of war on children in other countries as well as Britain. Our spellings will be based on the KS2 spelling list. We will also focus on developing our vocabulary across the curriculum.

Maths

In numeracy we will begin by focussing on number and place value, working with numbers up to 10,000,000. We will recap the concise formal written methods for the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) as well as looking at more informal written and mental strategies. We will then move onto working with fractions, before finishing the term learning about converting units of measurement. Problem solving will be incorporated into each area and we will encourage the children to discuss and explain their reasoning. It is really important for children to be secure with their times tables, as so much maths in Y6 is based upon them. We will be doing arithmetic practise weekly.

R.E.

Our first topic explores 'Life as a Journey' which includes investigating why people of different faiths go on pilgrimages and also looks at the key rites of passage in the Christian faith. Following this we will focus on how Christians prepare for Christmas and in what ways Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies.

Year 6 Autumn "Britain at War"

Key Vocabulary

History: allies, Blitz, evacuation, Holocaust, liberate, propaganda, rationing

History

We will begin by looking at some of the reasons why conflict develops between countries. We will be find out more about WW1 and WW2, how these world-wide conflicts developed and their impact upon those involved, especially children.

DT

We will be learning how to make strong structures as we design and build shelters – related to our war topic. Also linking with our war topic, we will be learning to cook some recipes which were popular during WW2, including how to make pastry.

Science

We will start by learning about micro-organisms and how they can be helpful or harmful. We will then move on to the topic of forces- finding out about mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears. After half term we will focus on electrical circuits and components, including their symbols. We will construct and test different types of circuits and set up investigations to test changes in circuit.

Art

We will focus on drawing people in proportion initially before moving into 3D work, making wire sculptures based on the work of Swiss artist Alberto Giacometti. We will then look at the work of Pointillist George Seurat and create our own paintings using this technique. Towards Christmas we will focus on printing in different colours to make our Christmas cards.

PE

Early in the term we will spend a week at Lockerbie Manor, experiencing a range of outdoor and adventurous activities. For the rest of the term we will be focussing on rugby and dance. Each Thursday morning we will be going to Lancaster University for our swimming lessons.

ICT

We will begin by focussing on online safety, then move on to data handling, which will come in useful during Enterprise Week as we keep track of our expenditure and profits.

PSHE

In PSHE our first theme will be "Me and my relationships" looking at teamwork and friendship. We will then move onto the topic of "Valuing difference", focusing on respect and tolerance of others.

Wider Curriculum

Lockerbie Manor residential week
House and Sports Captain application process
Enterprise Week

Values

Justice

Hope