

Year 5 Term 4

# A Child's War



A siren sounds, a building crumbles, a Spitfire zooms overhead. We are looking at 1939 and Britain in the war. We are going to have a particular focus on Oxford during the war and look at many different aspects of the war.

## Key Areas of Learning

**History:** Examining the reasons for World War two, as well as the everyday life of people in Britain at the time.

**Geography:** Children will be analysing maps and making sketches, familiarising themselves with key locations during the war.

**Art:** Using design and construction skills to build Anderson shelters.

As **Musicians** we will be learning to add layers to music, to keep the beat and create a performance with different instruments/

## English

### Reading

Our class story is 'Goodnight Mr Tom'. It is a story which reflects on the life of an evacuee. The story has lots of twists and turns and our characters go on an emotional journey.

### Writing

We will be focusing on writing recounts and following this creating persuasive posters.

### Spelling and Grammar

Within all our literacy work we will be teaching spelling, punctuation and grammar. This will also be taught as an independent activity throughout the year with a big focus on spelling. Children will get spellings weekly to learn at home.

## Mathematics

### Fractions

This term we will be working on fractions.

- equivalent fractions
- Mixed numbers into improper fractions and back
- Comparing and ordering fractions
- Adding and subtracting fractions
- Multiplying fractions
- Fractions of an amount

Every day the children will be practicing their times tables as it is key that they know up to 12 x 12 mentally. It is also good practice to do the division e.g.  $72 \div 6 =$

## Computing

Children will be learning to code. How to input code, to get the code to manipulate objects on the screen and to debug.

## History

We will be examining key events such as the Blitz and food rationing. The children will be making miniature Anderson shelters and scientifically testing them. We hope to organise a guest speaker day on 2nd of April.

## British Values

This term we will focus on 'cooperation'. We will be looking at how to work together as a team and being thoughtful.

## Physical Education

### Hockey and Tennis

Within Tennis we will build on the control of the racket and ball, to hit the ball with increasing accuracy and to hold a rally.

Within Hockey will learn to move the ball, defend and tackle. Then place this into games.

Children should have their CORRECT PE kit in school every day. Please make sure all PE kit is labelled.

## French

They will use a wide range of vocabulary describing their home and give details using regular verbs in the present tense.

## SMSC

### Spiritual, moral, social and cultural awareness

We will look at making informed decisions, keeping ourselves calm in emergencies and to reflect on ourselves.

## Religious Education

Christianity: Was the death of Jesus a worthwhile sacrifice?

We will be exploring the death of Jesus and its significance for Christians.

## PSHE

### Personal, social and health education

We will be looking at 'Healthy Me', This will include making a healthy choice (diet and exercise), keeping healthy relationships and keeping ourselves safe.

## Enrichment Wow Day

The residential is coming soon. We can not wait to take the children to Woodrow High House. It is going to be an exciting, amazing, (exhausting!) three days!