

Homework will be sent out on a Thursday and should be returned the following Tuesday. Some weeks may be revision for Year 6.



Autumn



Class 11

I hope you are all looking forward to the new term ahead: I know I certainly am. This is a crucial Year for our Year 6 pupils so please make sure your child is in school on time and in every day please. As always, support from home is always appreciated. If you wish to speak to me, please contact the office to arrange a meeting, I am more than happy to help. Let's have a great year!

Mr McKean

Children read daily in school in a number of ways. It is important your child's reading book is in school along with their home-school reading record. If your child has misplaced their book please let us know.

Please remember to complete home reading and sign home-school records so children can earn Reading Reward Miles.

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school every day as the PE schedule can change. Earrings should be removed or covered.

RE Topics:

Exploring the lives of significant women in the Old Testament.

Science Topic:

Living Things: Animals including Humans

Home Learning:

You can support your child by discussing what you already know and what they have learnt in school. If possible use books and the internet to support learning.

Our topic this term is: World War 2



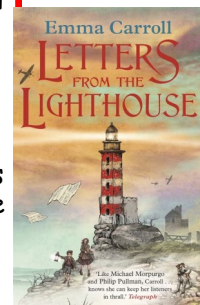
World War II

English: Our first unit in English this half term is done through reciprocal reading: this means that we will focus on four main reading skills. These skills are: summarising, predicting, clarifying and questioning. We will be doing this whilst focusing on a book related to our current topic: World War II. Our book for the first half term will be 'Letter from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. This book will not only support the children's knowledge of reading skills and their understanding of texts, it will also take them on a journey through the life of children during World War II.

Although we are focusing on reading skills, we will still be providing the children with writing opportunities and they will have the opportunity to write diary entries, newspaper articles and letters as we explore the text in more detail. Some of their writing will be done in the children's topic and science work. Over the course of the term, until Christmas, the children will have an understanding of what makes a good writer and what makes a good reader and given the opportunities to do both on several occasions.

Every Friday, the children will have a grammar lesson as opposed to our usual English lessons.

Instead of studying a text or looking at writing in detail, the children will explore the grammatical features that they need to include in their writing over the course of the year.



How can I help at home?

Maths: To start off the new academic year, we will be focusing on calculation methods in class that becomes the foundation of everything else we cover in maths throughout the year. We will spend time focusing on addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and inverse calculation methods before moving on to other aspects of number and calculation, such as roman numerals and negative numbers. We will cover these calculations methods in maths lessons and revisit these every morning in our morning maths sessions, which start promptly at 8:45am and last around 10 minutes: it is extremely important your child is in school on time for these. Like with English, on Friday's we don't follow our usual maths lesson and instead we complete weekly basic skills. This is a one hour session whereby the children are grouped across KS2 and focus on maths skills that they should know, e.g. calculation methods and how many cm in 1m. The more children revisit these, the more likely they are to remember these and apply them in lessons and other areas of the curriculum. Along with this on a Friday, we will be completing weekly times table tests so please spend time learning these with your child at home. Your child should know all their times tables by the end of Year 4.