



Willow Class Summer Term



We hope that you have all had a restful break and plenty of enjoyable experiences over the holiday. This newsletter should cover general questions you may have, however, if you have any further questions then please feel free to e-mail or speak to myself, or a member of the support team. We are always happy to help.

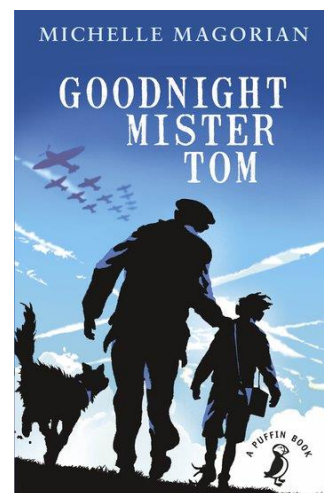
Our learning this term

Our final history topic of the year is all about World War 2. This is a fascinating period in British history, where we will find out more about: the causes, the allied countries, as well as the effects of rationing, evacuation and The Blitz. Our geography learning will also look at the relationships between countries and how these relationships change over time. One of the class texts that we will look at is *Goodnight Mr Tom*, which tells the fictional story of an evacuee in the war. Though we will look at many other texts as well.

We have some very exciting learning opportunities planned throughout the curriculum, including:

- making art installations
- building Anderson shelters
- using stop-motion animation
- looping and remixing music... and much more!

For additional information about the curriculum, look at our Medium Term Plan.



General Reminders

- **PE:** Please bring kits in every week. Y5 will usually have their PE lesson on a **Wednesday**. PE is a compulsory element of the curriculum like any other subject and missing kit will be followed up.
- **Uniform:** Can you please make sure uniform & PE kits are clearly labelled to avoid confusion when children misplace some of their belongings. Please be prepared for changing weather conditions and only bring in what is necessary.
- **Home learning:** Please complete 3 reads a week and hand in a reading diary on a Thursday. Please access spelling shed for practising weekly spelling lists and the general Y5/6 spelling words. Feel free to access the other enrichment tasks in the home learning books. Some weeks, a Flashback 4 challenge can also be collected by your child to complete.

Key Dates:

- 24th April - **HOOK DAY** - Art Installations! - Dress in own clothes and something you don't mind getting messy
- 13th June - **PARENT INVITE** - Art Workshop Breakfast - Y5 parents are invited to come into school to create art with the pupils, as well as have a snack!
- 12th May - **Mental Health Awareness Week**
- 19th May - **Walk to School Week**
- 22nd May - **Founders Day**
- 26th/27th June - **Residential**
- 30th June - **KS2 Sports Day**
- 2nd July - **Activity Day**

We will also be observing other important events this term, including: World Autism Day, Pride Month, World Environment Day, World Ocean Day, Healthy Eating Week, Eid-Al-Adha, Refugee Week, Emmeline Pankhurst Day, Nelson Mandela Day, and more...!

Thank you - Mr Middleton and Miss Marshall