

Year 3 Curriculum Information

Term 2

This term we are continuing with our study of World War II and will be celebrating the end of the war with our very own VE Day party. This will be on the afternoon of Wednesday 5th December and it would be wonderful if the children could come dressed as a World War II evacuee.

If you have any questions please feel free to email us or contact a member of the year 3 team and we will do our very best to help.

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Our topic and areas for learning this half term

We will be looking at a number of non-fiction texts and the children will be learning about the role of women in World War II.



Geography: Throughout our study of WWII we will be learning about the locations of allies and axis powers.

History: We will be exploring the wartime work of women on the land and in factories as well as learning about the challenges of 'Make do and Mend' and 'Dig for Victory.'

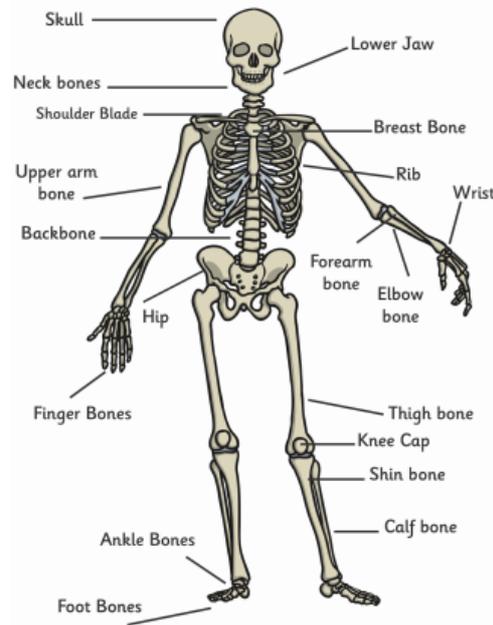
Art: We will continue learning about the artist LS Lowry and practise painting in his style.



Science:

In science we are learning about skeletons and muscles and how these play an important role in our bodies. The children will complete various investigations looking at the size of different skeletons and how bones protect our organs.

The Human Skeleton



Computing: We will be learning programming skills.

Maths and English

Maths and English will be taught daily. English will be made up of shared-reading, handwriting, spelling, grammar and a range of non-fiction writing activities. Maths will include the four core operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. (See the maths section for further details). Additionally we will do times tables, fluency skills and practise the skills of each child's level for the 99 club. Children are not expected to reach the 99 club until they are in year 6.

Reading:

Children are encouraged to read every day as evidence shows that those who read at home regularly make better progress. Now that your child is in KS2 the reading focus changes from decoding of words to comprehension skills. It would be helpful if you could discuss characters, make predictions about the story and explore general understanding of the texts the children bring home.

Growth Mindset

Our whole school learning power for the autumn term is Co-operation and our character that represents that learning behaviour is *the busy bee*.

Co-operation



I can co-operate with others.

I can listen to other people's ideas.

I can take turns.

I can work with different people in a positive, helpful way.

Homework

English: In addition to daily reading the children will have a list of 10 words following spelling patterns including many of the words from the National Curriculum lists. Please encourage your child to learn these words.

Maths: Homework will include activities set via the My Maths system each term as well as times tables and key maths facts, such as shape names, to learn.

Topic: Each term the children will be asked to complete one creative homework activity which may include model making, art, a science or computer based investigation. This term we are asking the children to make an interesting, creative decoration for our VE Day party, this may include a flag, some bunting or a table decoration.



General: As we approach the winter months please ensure the children have a warm coat. It is important that the children have their full PE kit in school at all times including plimsolls.

Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

The Year 3 team.