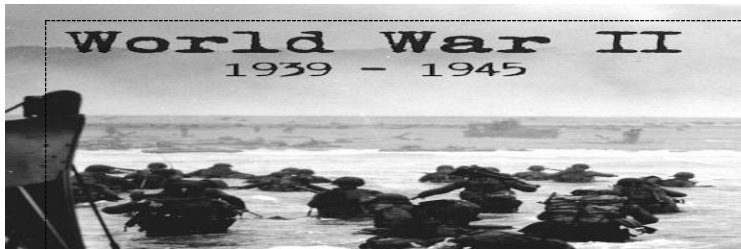


World War II

1939 - 1945



Tiger Class Term 1 & 2 Topic Letter September 2017

Hello, welcome and welcome back to those of you returning to Tiger Class. We have a real mixture of pupils 3 staying from last years Tiger Class, 3 from Bobcats and 3 new pupils from different mainstream schools. Welcome to you all and may you be very happy in Tiger Class this year. My name is Debbie Clifford and I am your pupils Class Teacher. Joining the Tiger Class Team this year is: Jenny, Beckany and Fildelma. Class Dojo is a quick and easy method of contact so thank you to those who have already joined, if you haven't yet done so please could you do so? If you need another letter explaining how to join then please ask. We shall also use the Home-School Liaison as well as being contactable by phone.

English

We shall be using our History topic of World War Two as the main vehicle for learning in English. We shall look at some war poems looking at their messages and emotions as well as the conventions of poetry writing.

We shall read as a class a number of different text with a war theme such as: Letters from the Lighthouse by E. Carroll, War Boy by Michael Foreman and Carrie's War by Nina Bawden to name but a few. Through these texts we shall explore the English genres of: debates, letters writing, instructions and dilemmas.

Useful vocabulary: narrative poems, classic poems, humorous poems, metaphor, simile, rhyme and rhythm.

Formal and informal letters, Headings, sub-heading, bullet points, intructions, captions, conclusion, summary

Science *The topic for terms 1 &2 is Materials and investigations will be incorporated into this topic . The children will work scientifically by observing a range of sources and materials in order to raise questions about states of matter and chemical reactions. They will also research some of the different war time recipes from ration books and where possible make some of these foods. Also, for term 1 we shall be attending Beach School each Friday morning. Please make sure your child comes appropriately dressed for this and brings a change of clothes.*

Useful vocabulary:

Solid, liquid, gas, particles, chemical, chemical reaction, dissolve, solution, fair test, reversible and irreversible reactions, observation, results, conclusion, method, repeated experiment, control and exo- and endo- thermic reactions.

MATHS

TO BEGIN WITH WE WILL BE ASSESSING AND CONSOLIDATING THE CHILDREN'S KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF NUMBER. THIS WILL FOCUS ON PLACE VALUE WORK, ROUNDING, ORDERING AND COMPARING NUMBERS. WE WILL ALSO BE CHALLENGING THE CHILDREN TO RECALL THEIR MULTIPLICATION FACTS BEFORE MOVING ON TO THE FORMAL WRITTEN CALCULATION METHODS. DURING THE TERM, THERE WILL ALSO BE WORK ON GEOMETRY AND MEASURES.

PE will be taught every Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has to appropriate PE kit in school.

Topic

The topic for the next two terms shall be War, Rationing and British Values. We also hope to combine this with a World War Two Day Experience at school or a class visit were pupils will be encouraged to come to school dressed from this period. We also hope to stage a World War Two Museum and invite you in to see their work and perhaps for the children perform some of the War style songs they have learnt. Once dates have been confirmed I shall write to you.

Early this term your child will be assessed using the resources Star Reader and allocated a reading ZIP code level; they will then choose a book to take home daily. We encourage children to read their reading books regularly at home. The Tiger Class Team will aim to hear your child read daily during grouped Book Talk. Your child will also be allocated a Spelling Card, please support your child with the learning/teaching of these words.

Thank you for your support

Debbie Clifford and the Tiger class team (Jenny, Fiddy and Beckany).

