

# Year 6 Learning Web

Spring 1 2018

## English Focus

- We will be linking our writing closely with our WW2 topic, using the book **Letters from the Lighthouse** by Emma Carroll.
- We will be focusing on both fiction and non-fiction writing during this topic and we will be bringing together all of the knowledge and learning from the past four years into every piece of writing we do.
- Most of our English will be a response to the novel that we are reading, but we will also draw upon some history knowledge of WW2 to add a factual side to our writing.
- In our grammar lessons, we will be revising the grammar that has been taught over the past four years, as well as introducing some new tenses that will appear in the grammar SATs test.
- During guided reading, we will be refining our inference and comprehension skills, as well as our ability to analyse a text accurately at speed. The texts we use will again link to our WW2 topic.

## Knowledge and Understanding

### Learning challenge: World War Two

- We will be exploring WW2 in depth over the next term.
- We will be looking at how WW2 affected Kenilworth by taking part in a walk around the town. Finding the location of air raid shelters will encourage us to think about the buildings in town and their wartime use.
- We will be using our evacuee day and subsequent history lessons to look at life for a child in WW2.

## Creativity

- In Art, we will be focusing on propaganda by looking at colour tone and how this creates a specific mood.
- In PE, we will be doing dance, with a main focus on tap dancing!
- In DT, we will be making ration meals and even gas masks!

## Maths Focus

- **Fractions/percentages/decimals**  
We will be spending a large chunk of the half term focusing on fractions, percentages and decimals.
- We will be revising the four operations, as well as other areas of maths that we have taught this year.
- We will be continuing with our problem solving lessons each week, so do try some at home for extra practice!
- We will be completing an arithmetic test each week in preparation for the SATs.

## STEM (including Computing and Science) and Health and Wellbeing

### Learning challenge: Electricity

- In Science, we will be focusing on electricity.
- We will be reminding ourselves of what electricity is and how it transformed the world. We will also be revisiting the dangers of electricity and how we can keep safe.
- We will be creating and drawing circuit diagrams using the correct scientific signage.
- We will be looking at resistance and voltage.

## Ways you can help at home

- Encourage your child to be responsible for remembering their key equipment, including warm PE kit and trainers for a Friday this half term.
- Ensure your children are increasing speedy recall of their tables and regularly practising the standard method for the four operations.
- Read each day. Ask lots of questions about the text to encourage your child to form their own opinions. And don't forget to sign their reading record so that we can see all their lovely reading!
- Ensure homework is completed and returned on time. (This is especially important during this term.)
- Help children achieve 100% attendance.