

Topic

Children will learn about World War I. We will find out how the War began, which countries were involved and where they are located geographically. We will learn what life was like in the trenches and on the Home Front.

Art

We will create art inspired by World War I and will develop our painting and drawing skills.

Maths

We will learn about place value, ordering and rounding of up to 5 digit numbers. We will then move on to adding and subtracting 5 and 6 digit numbers, using mental maths and written column methods. Alongside this we will continue to work on the Year 4 objectives, particularly ensuring the times table facts are embedded.

RE and ICT

In ICT, we will learn programming skills and use Scratch as well as considering our internet usage and e-safety.

Our topic this term is Creation. We will learn what Christianity and other faiths say about the beginning of our universe. We will also explore whether science and religion agree or disagree about how the universe began.

English

We have begun the term by revising descriptive writing and are now moving on to non-fiction writing linked to our topic. We are continually revising reading and writing skills from Year 4 before introducing Year 5 concepts.

The Great War

Science

We will learn about the properties of materials and reversible and irreversible changes. We will develop our skills in planning and conducting fair tests.

HOMEWORK

We will send home a Learning Log homework as usual on Friday 18th September. In addition we will be setting weekly homework in both reading and maths online for children to complete, consolidating areas of learning. Children are expected to read daily for 20 minutes as well as practice their spellings which are set weekly on a Friday.

PE and Music

PE lessons this half term focus on gymnastics and dance.

Swimming lessons will commence as soon as we are able to use the facilities due to current restrictions.

In music we are studying the *Enigma Variations* by Edward Elgar.