

St Mary's CE Primary School - Year 6 Autumn Term 1 2025

English: Reading – During this half term, we will be developing our reading skills by studying the text '**Letters from the Lighthouse**' by Emma Carroll. We will also be reading a range of other non-fiction/fiction texts and poetry.

Writing, Punctuation and Grammar – Throughout the term, we will be covering a range of writing genres, from letters/diary entries and poetry, to narratives and information booklets. We will develop our knowledge of grammar, punctuation and sentence structure through the **Place Value of Grammar and Punctuation** writing unit.

Spelling – We will be recapping spelling patterns learned throughout Year 5 whilst moving on through the **Read, Write, Inc spelling scheme** for Year 6, with a particular focus on suffixes. We will be continuing to learn the statutory spellings for Years 5 and 6.

Science: As scientists, we will be exploring the topic of **light**. We will be learning about the sources of light, the creation of shadows, reflection and refraction, as well as how we see colour. We will make periscopes linked to our learning about war.

History: As historians, we will be learning about **World War 2**, with a particular focus on the following questions: **What was the impact of World War 2 on the people of Britain?**

- Why did Britain go to war in 1939?
- How did the Battle of Britain affect the Royal Air Force?
- What do sources tell us about the Blitz?
- What was evacuation like?
- Why did some people migrate to Britain after WW2?

During the whole school Chiddingfold Week in September, we will look closer at the impact that WW2 had at home here in Chiddingfold. We will also focus on the importance of Remembrance Day (Year 6 will lead the school Remembrance service at the beginning of next half term).

We will be visiting The Rural Life Museum in Tilford to find out about what life was like for children at home during WW2 and will also explore the role of the Home Guard. We will take part in a World War Two themed day, do some WW2 cooking and perform in our WW2 class assembly.

Mathematics: This half term, we will be focusing on the following areas in mathematics:

- **Number and place value**
- **Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.**

We will also be developing our arithmetic and reasoning skills.



World War II



PSHE: During this half term, we will focus on the topic, '**Being Me in My World**'. We will discuss our targets and hopes for the year ahead, as well as learning about the rights of children worldwide. We will think about how our behaviour affects us and others around us.

RE: In R.E, we will be learning about the **Holy Trinity** (how God is seen as One but can also be experienced in three different Persons).

PE: On Mondays, Mr Hanson will be teaching us for PE (Team Games) On **Thursdays**, our coach from PSD (Primary Sports Development) will be coaching us in Tag Rugby.

French: This term we will be focusing on learning vocabulary associated with **A L'École (school)** and use this to engage in conversations about activities done at school.

Computing: We will start the term with a focus on **E-safety**. We will then be learning about how to use a computer to **design and make a 3D model**.

Art: As artists, we will be exploring how **2-dimensional drawings can be transformed into 3-dimensional**. We will look at various techniques associated with sculpture and graphic design to help us create our work. We will also produce some WW2 inspired artwork.

Music: Mr Godwin will be teaching our music lessons this half term, where we will learn about composition and musical notation.

Our values:

Hope

Community

Respect

Wisdom

