Topic for this term - The 20th Century (WW2)



In our Enquiry days, we will be building on our knowledge of the early 20th century and WW1 as we move into the events of WW2. We will explore key themes from this period in history through a range of interesting texts. We will investigate different accounts of living through both world wars to understand the impact on individuals (Anne Frank and Winston Churchill), the UK as a whole (rationing, the black outs), and the local area.

In English, we will be beginning the term with a focus on non-fiction writing by writing a balanced discussion. The children will be able to explore a diverse range of topics that spark interest. Encourage children to engage in discussions at home linked to current affairs – Newsround is a lovely child-friendly way of engaging children with events around the world.

In Science, we will be investigating how electricity works by making our own circuits and building on our prior knowledge. Using our newly learnt skills, we'll be planning and conducting an investigation to establish 'What makes a light bulb brighter or buzzer louder in a circuit?' We will be learning to articulate our conclusions verbally and with accurate diagrams.

Our Art topic builds on all of this learning. We will explore propaganda posters from WW2 and use these as inspiration to create our own. We will use a combination of painting skills and digital art skills to build towards our final piece.

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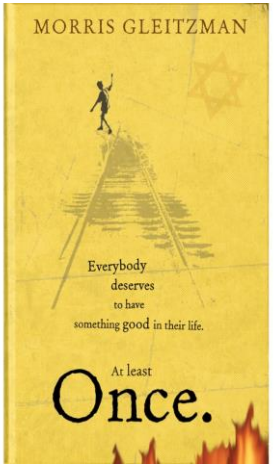
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Year 6 Newsletter
Autumn Term 2 2026

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half term and the children are ready to learn.

Thank you for your support,
Miss Randall, Mr Riddell
and the Year 6 Support Team.

Our class shared text



Important Dates

Year 6 Christmas concert at St Andrews Church - 17th December

How can you help at home?

Card games are a fun way to practise everyday maths skills. The children have been shown many games and could teach them to someone at home. Examples are: risk it for a biscuit, target Board, times table pairs or number bonds. Other suitable games you may have at home are Monopoly and Game of Life. Don't forget about Times Table Rockstars and Mathletics – just one session a day could make all the difference!

A fantastic book linked to our topic is 'Five Children on the Western Front' by Kate Saunders: a story of 5 children and their experiences of WW1 with a magical twist. Another great story is the 'Children of Willesden Lane' by Mona Golabeck: a gripping tale about a child who is forced to flee Vienna during WW2.

Please encourage children to complete their Accelerated Reader quizzes when they have finished their reading book. We are also rewarding children with golden points when they have read for 20 minutes 5 times.