

2018/2019

The Blitzed Brits

Year 6 Autumn Term

- 1. What started World War II?
- 2. How did Churchill inspire a nation?
- 3. What does it feel like to be invaded or displaced?
- 4. Why were Hull and other cities bombed more than others?
- 5. What can we learn from the Holocaust?
- 6. How did World War II affect life in Britain?

As writers we will...

- ...create short stories focusing on settings and suspense
- ...write diary entries from the viewpoints of bullied children, children evacuated during WWII and Jewish children facing the effects of the Holocaust
- ...consider the life events of key figures (Charles Dickens, Anne Frank, Winston Churchill, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr.) and use these to write biographies
- ...use short films (such as 'Little Freak' and 'Beyond the Lines') to develop our use of descriptive techniques
- ...study the speeches of Winston Churchill and Martin Luther King Jr., considering what made them so effective
- ...use our powers of persuasion to create propaganda

As mathematicians we will...

- ...focus on number and place value for numbers up to 10,000,000
- ...improve our written methods for the four functions
- ...develop our use of long multiplication and long division
- ...understand the order of operations
- ...deepen our understanding of fractions and decimals and work out percentages of amounts
- ...create timelines showing the major events leading up to, and during, WWII
- ...interpret and create graphs relating to our studies in geography, history and science

Our Whole Class Text is...

✓ Wonder by RJ Palacio

As artists we will...

- ...study a range of techniques to depict movement
- ...create a piece of artwork about the Blitz in Hull, which has an element 'in action'

In ICT we will...

- ...become cryptographers and learn about code breaking during WWII
- ...create and publish our own power points based on our learning in topic

As musicians we will...

...study the classic rock song 'Livin' on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi as part of the Charanga scheme. This will allow us to develop singing using our knowledge of dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc.)

In D&T we will...

- ...study the sewing techniques inspired by the 'Make Do and Mend' campaign in WWII (sewing on buttons, patches etc.)
- ✓ ...transfer these skills into the 21st century, creating our own mobile phone/tablet cases

As geographers we will...

- ✓ ...locate the countries involved in WWII on a map, considering the 'side' they were on
- ...study the United Kingdom in detail, investigating why certain areas were bombed more than others during the Blitz

As historians we will...

- ...use the idea of chronology to study how WWII began and how people's lives were affected
- ✓ ...reflect on what we can learn from the Holocaust
- ...consider the lasting effects WWII had on Britain after the war ended and how it rebuilt itself

Our class experiences will be...

- √ ...the "Taste of History' Rationing experience
- ...a visit to the National Holocaust Centre
- ...a visit to a Jewish synagogue
- ✓ ...Robinwood adventure weekend

As scientists we will...

- ...develop our abilities to work scientifically
- ...identify and name the main parts of the circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood
- ...recognise the importance of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way the human body functions
- ...describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans
- $\checkmark\quad \mbox{...} \mbox{recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines}$
- ...explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye
- ... explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes
- ...explain why shadows have the same shape as objects that cast them