English

We begin by practicing performance poetry in preparation for All Saints' Poetry Recital on Thursday 7th November. We will be writing biographies of the WW1 footballer Walter Tull following Black History month as well as holding a debate during National Parliament Week. We will also write lengthier pieces of writing across the curriculum) including an explanation of our circulatory systems), varying our sentence types and range of punctuation. Our grammar work focuses on the use of determiners and using the active and passive voice. We will also be using hyphens, apostrophes and semi-colons correctly and practising to identify the use of informal and formal language. Handwriting and spelling will be taught discreetly. Each week we will have focussed reading skills lessons honing our literal, deductive and inferential questioning skills. Please continue to read widely at home for pleasure and for practise. Our whole class readers will be The Last Post by Keith Campion and Skellig by David Almond.

PSHE The children will understand and plan for a healthy lifestyle. They will know the potential impact of technology on physical and mental health. The children will study how vaccination works and why it is important to individuals and which habits are good and bad for health. A Class Assembly marking National Parliament Week will take place on Friday 29th November at 9.05am. the children will spread the word about what Parliament is, what it does and how they can get involved.

Science Our learning on 'Electricity' takes children through lessons where they learn how to: associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit; they learn how to compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.

DT The children will be making steady hand games, using what they have learnt about circuits. As part of an enterprise project, Year 6 will be making and selling Christmas decorations at All Saints' School Fair on Friday 6th December. Please come and see what they have made!

History We are loving learning about Wars through time and considering is it ever right to fight? Later this month, we hope to visit Fiona Gardens to interview residents about their experiences of the Home Front. The children will come home soon with more information. They will develop their chronological knowledge and understanding of world periods by learning about impact of both WWI and WWII on children and construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant historical information. The children will identify and use a range of evidence to help them understand more about life at home during this time. They will develop their understanding of, and ability to ask, historically valid questions about change cause similarity and difference. They will make connections with previous events they have studied.

Music. As well as preparing for Christmas, Year 6 will be learning some songs used to raise morale during wartime.

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Maths Year 6 will continue to consolidate and extend their knowledge of arithmetic and perform quick calculations. They will be solving calculations using written methods for all 4 operations and then applying these methods in reasoning questions. They will learn how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions and calculate fractions of amounts. We will be able to use, read, write and convert between standard units, converting measurements of length, mass, volume and time from a smaller unit of measure to a larger unit, and vice versa, using decimal notation to up to three decimal places. They children will solve problems involving the calculation and conversion of units of measure, using decimal notation to three decimal places where appropriate.

Computing

Children will refresh their memories about the steps they can take to protect their digital footprint, where to go for help, smart rules and security software. Each child will develop their typing and word processing skills on our new laptops. They will be learning to create, name, move and change the access permissions of folders and include hyperlinks in their work.

French In Year 6 we explore patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words. Year 6 will continue to enjoy sessions with our Foreign Language Assistant, Madame Adame on Thursdays.

Religion We will learn what Justice is and know that we are called to work for it. know that God calls all of us to speak out about Injustice. The children will have the opportunity to know about individuals who have been persecuted for speaking out about injustice and reflect on the cost of commitment to justice and become aware that Christians across the world speak up for justice and that justice starts with each one of us. In Advent we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Stay and Pray is on **Wednesday 4**th **December**.



PE

Basketball and Dance will be taught on a Wednesday and Thursday by Miss Clifford. Please wear suitable PE kits to school on these days. Woolly hats and gloves might also be wise as the children will be outdoors. Bikeability takes place next week Monday 11-16th November.