

Year 6 Newsletter (Spring 1)

Welcome back to Blackman Class in year 6! As we continue on our journey through year 6, we look forward to lots of learning and exciting projects this half term.

Our learning journey

This half term we will be focusing on **history** in our topic lessons. We will investigate **World War 2** and why **we remember it today**.

We will also be linking our **art** lessons to this topic by analysing propaganda posters.

Please see the knowledge organiser to find out more.



Science will see us continuing our work on the **heart and circulatory system**.

We will then investigate **living things and their habitats**. We will learn all about how to use and create classification keys. During these lessons, we will think about how the different plants and animals can be categorised.



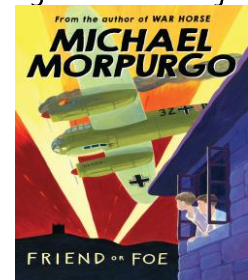
In our **Maths** lessons we will focus on ratio, algebra and decimals. We will also be doing extra maths work in order to speed up our arithmetic skills.

It is vital that the children continue to work on times tables and mental maths at home as well as in school.



In **English** we will base our writing on our history topic of WW2. We will write diary entries, letters and our own narrative linked to the current novel of **Friend or Foe** by **Michael Morpurgo**.

We will also continue to work on our spelling, punctuation and grammar as well as developing our comprehension skills throughout the half term.



Diary Dates:

Our residential to Willersley castle will take place on Wed 4th – Fri 6th March. All letters and payment details are available on Reach More Parents.

PE will continue to be on a Monday and Thursday. The children need to come to school in their uniform and change into their PE kits just before the lesson.

Class routines:

- The children are expected to read at home every night and have their reading record signed by an adult. This is the single most useful thing that parents can do to support their children's learning.
- Each Friday, the children will complete a spelling and mental maths quiz. The spellings and maths focus will be sent home on a Friday, ready to learn for the following Friday. The children will need to work on these at home (and at school) on a regular basis. Please access PurpleMash to help with this.
- Pupils should continue to log onto TTRockstars to improve their times tables knowledge.

Finally, please remember to log onto the class page on the school website to keep up to date with our latest news, or by accessing the school twitter page.

Miss Wilson, Mrs Pavey & Mrs Lister