

## History - The World at War (World War 2)



Our History topic is centered around the theme of war, and we will be studying the Second World War in depth. We will be looking at axis and allies of WW2 and the reason WW2 occurred. As well as this, there will be a focus on how colonized countries contributed and supported, and women. Terms such as rationing and evacuee will also be discussed and explored.

## Physical Education

This term we will be completing two weeks of swimming lessons at Ironmonger. We will also be playing invasion games, thinking about space and strategy, and exploring the key features of a good invasion game.



## Maths Overview



In Maths, we will be exploring Place Value, and solving problems that involve comparing and ordering decimals, rounding (including decimals) and negative numbers. We will also be working with the Four Operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Children will be undertaking an arithmetic test weekly – and their scores will be shared with both them and you, so that their progress is measured and they can identify areas which they need to improve in. It is important that with time, the children are able to complete these with increased fluency, so therefore they will be timed whilst undertaking this. It is important that the children are still learning their times tables and are confident in multiplying 2-digit numbers by 2-digit number and even 2-digit number by 3-digit numbers.

Year 6 – Academic Year 2024-2025

Autumn Term – Term 1

St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary School



## English Overview

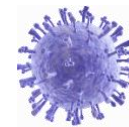
In English, we will be using Pax by Sara Pennypacker as our core text, which links into our topic of The World at War. We will be writing diary entries, short stories and letters. In reading, we will be focusing on developing inference and prediction skills. We will also be incorporating grammar in to our lessons. This will also be tested in children's weekly homework. It is a good idea to keep going over what the meaning of different terms are with your child, such as (nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, adjectives, subject + object).



Class Text: Pax by Sara



## Science Overview



This term, we will be learning about the properties of living things, and we will be using systems such as the Linnaean System to classify organisms. We will be studying microorganisms and single-celled organisms, and will be carrying out an investigation on mould!

## Homework

It is extremely important that homework is completed weekly. Activities will best prepare children for their SATs examinations, as it will include past questions. Homework will include Maths, Reading, Spelling and Grammar.



## Religion Overview

This term, we will be exploring the concept of the Kingdom of God, and what it means to be a part of, and contribute to, God's Kingdom. This year, children will also be asked to lead collective worships, so they may need to bring a prayer to school which will focus on a specific topic, or a painting or ordainment which they might also think links.



## Message from the teacher

Dear parents and carers,

I am really looking forward to working with you this year! As we all know, it is an important year with lots of responsibility (as well as lots of fun). Please be mindful, that the school day is going to be extremely busy with lots of learning taking place, so the children may be tired at lots of different points of the year. As well as supporting their academic studies, I want to be mindful of their well-being too. Please come and see me if at any point of the year if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards. Miss Mc Caffrey

## Important announcements/dates

Year 6 class assembly:

WW2 Docklands Trip : Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024



## Staying Safe Online/ Online Bullying:

Last year, there were some instances regarding bullying online. Can I please ask, that parents make sure they're checking the content of the conversations that their children are having, as this can help to stop this from occurring. As well as this, it is important to be completing regular checks to see which social media platforms your children are accessing, and if they are suitable. I know this can cause arguments and disagreements, but it is important that rules are put in place, so that the children

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## Boosters

Booster sessions are put in place to help develop children's understanding in Maths and Reading Comprehension. These sessions are extremely helpful and allow time for me to work either 1:1 or in small groups to target specific misconceptions, or to deeper their understanding of a topic.

If your child is invited to either the morning or afternoon session I would strongly advise that you ensure they attend in a punctual manner. For example, morning boosters will start promptly at 8.00am, therefore children need to be in before this time to get the most from the session. I will inform you if I think your child need to attend booster – please note these will be small groups and can change over time. A small snack can be provided – please remember we are a nut-free school so nothing with nuts should be provide. Thank you.

## Support

As mentioned, this is a very important year for your child. Therefore, you may want to help support their learning at home. Below are recommended books that can be purchased (if you would like) to support your child's learning toward their SAT exams.

I will say however, that children will not be familiar with some of the contexts in the Autumn and early Spring term – so please do not get them to complete if they're unsure - as this can lead to misconceptions and lower their confidence in their ability.

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/ks2?srsItd=AfmBOoquExQ12F6BYfvp2CkfC9GbbXrO-X2euuXM603HZpJGhbyXEdy4>