

Launch Day (A Child's War)

We are saving our Topic work until after the SATs assessments so our launch day is going to be on **Monday, 16th May 2022**. We are very excited to be able to go to the Mansfield Museum and Theatre to immerse ourselves in several evacuee workshops. This will be a wonderful basis for all learning for this topic.

We are then going to enjoy several curriculum days. Following our Museum/Theatre day, we will spend Tuesday 17th May working on the Topic lessons and create a report.

Music

Music is taught by Mr Banahan and will take place every Wednesday afternoon.

French

Due to two Bank Holidays, SATs tests and a school trip all taking place on a Monday; French will continue in the second half of the Pentecost term.

Computing

We are looking forward to Coding Day on Tuesday 23rd May, when we will be exploring this crucial skill in a whole-day project.

PE

Full PE lessons are temporarily on hold until after the SATS. Children will still get as much time outside as possible and will be using the field and track where possible. From w/c 16th May, PE will resume on Wednesday and Friday. Children will need a full PE kit in school on these days. We are also looking forward to being able to spend more time engaged in physical activities with the finer weather in the Pentecost 2 term. We have also got many Active Maths lessons planned that prepare children for secondary school.

DT

We will be linking our Design and Technology work to our Child's War topic and engaging in some good old 'Make do and mend' textiles work. We will enjoy a DT day on Monday 23rd May—for this we would ask that **your child will bring in a clean tea-towel**. Please send this in to school straight by Thursday 20th May so that work can begin to prepare for our project. As always, spares are appreciated and please let us know if this is not possible.

Year 6 Curriculum Matters

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Welcome to the Pentecost Term 2022

Dear Parents/Carers and pupils,

Welcome to the Pentecost term—your child's FINAL term at primary school! We have so many great times ahead, many memories to make and lots of work still to do. The teachers were talking to Mr Steele recently and sharing that they are particularly impressed with this year group above all others for their academic resilience. They are achieving very good standards in all areas despite the disruption to their learning over the last couple of years. This is going to be a great term where they get to show this knowledge in their SATs and writing moderation and to prepare for Key Stage 3.

Homework

Homework routine has gone well and allowed all children to make progress and practice skills. The first few weeks of this term will be more focused on revision and advice will come from teachers on dojo stories. Please look for all the ways to encourage your child to identify their gaps and practice these at home. We may allow more creative topic projects as the term goes on too.

Please continue to encourage your child to read, for at least 15 minutes a day. This is to be recorded in the **Reading journals**, which have proved to be a huge success thus far.

Guided Reading books will continue to be sent home on a Monday and MUST be brought in for lessons the following Monday.

RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:

- Witness: Pentecost
- Healing: Sacrament of Last Rites
- Common Good: The Universal Church

We will also celebrate a World Faith week when we will focus on the Islamic faith.

Maths

We will be completing the last part of the curriculum in the early part of the Pentecost term, leading up to the SATs. Following that, we will continue to work to the children's needs to make sure they are ready for transitioning to secondary school through projects and active Maths lessons which will be a lot of fun.

Science

In science, children will learn about Electricity and Light. We will draw, build and debug circuits, conduct multiple investigations and look at different ways of generating and measuring light.

English

The main areas to be covered in English are as follows: diary writing, poetry, non-chronological texts and narrative story writing. Please note that Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar are taught throughout each unit of work.

Topic

This half term, we are exploring "A Child's War". This offers us a look at how the lives of British Children were affected by World War 2. We will look at the children in Mansfield during this time as well as rationing and the geography of the war.