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Welcome back!

Our new topic! A Child's War

This half term, we'll imagine what it was like to be evacuated and live with a family other than our own. Using different source materials, we'll learn about evacuation and write letters to our families 'back home'. We'll plot the Second World War's events on a timeline and learn about rationing, Pearl Harbour and the Battle of Britain. From a range of maps, we'll identify safe and dangerous places during the war and make persuasive posters to support the war effort.

We'll study Anne Frank and we'll write our own diaries. From a range of sources, we'll find out about children and school during the war and learn about discrimination that existed at the time. We'll learn about what it was like during the Blitz and think about how soldiers might have felt.

At the end of the topic, we'll reflect on Winston Churchill's stirring speeches and write our own. We'll compose and perform wartime songs and create a presentation to show what we have learned.

How can I help my child prepare for their project?

We'll meet again! Why not visit a local museum together to investigate how the Second World War affected your local area? You could also read an exciting fiction book set during the war. Alternatively, you could 'make do and mend', working together to create a model inspired by the Second World War from recycled materials or unwanted household items.

Homework for this week:

Spellings – Children will bring home a list of weekly spellings to learn every Friday, ready for testing the following week ☺ These spellings will be personal to your child. They will have a fresh set of spellings to learn this week as they are starting the new half term.

Maths – LO: Multiplying 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers.
Using formal written method (long multiplication)
Solve problems including the 4 operations.

English – Reading Comprehension – Women at War (this looks at the role of women in WW1 but some of the vocabulary and terms are appropriate for our current topic which is specific to WW2 e.g. propaganda, conscription etc).

This activity will be on Classroom Secrets Kids, for the children to access. The reading comprehension focuses on:

Give or explain the meaning of words in context.

Retrieve and record information or identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.

Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.

Make inferences from the text or explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.

Identify or explain how information content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.

Identify or explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.

Homework due – Friday 12th November 2021.