

Curriculum Overview for Year 3 and 4 Pupils – Term 2

Theme title: What is the Christmas Truce?

Launch pad event: Tommies

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| <p>English <i>Please ensure guided reading books are brought to school daily.</i></p> | <p>During English pupils in Year 4 will be learning how to write a story with a focus on setting description. They will also be creating images through poetry as well as carrying out book reviews. Year 3 will be writing their own shape poems with a WW1 theme. They will also learn about and write their own adventure stories with a WW1 theme. Spelling will be a continuous focus within both year groups learning words from the Statutory word list.</p> |
| <p>Maths <i>Maths homework is set every Thursday and should be returned to school every Tuesday.</i></p> | <p>Year 4 pupils will be identifying 2d and 3d shapes, parallel and perpendicular lines, and interior angles. They will also be finding a fraction of a shape and a quantity. As well as this year 4 will be learning about money and continuing to solve problems using the four operations. In year 3 pupils will be looking at the properties of 2d and 3d shapes, they will be learning about fractions as well as focussing on learning to tell the time. Both year groups will be working on multiplication and division facts and verbal rapid recall of these.</p> |
| <p>Science</p> | <p>Our topic in Science this term will be Light. Pupils will be learning to understand that light is the absence of darkness. Additionally they will be learning about how is reflected from a surface. They should also be able to demonstrate how a shadow is formed and will understand the dangers of direct sunlight and how to protect themselves from the sun.</p> |
| <p>Computing</p> | <p>In computing, pupils will be creating a comic strip. They will be uploading, editing and enhancing images and texts for a specific purpose.</p> |
| <p>Geography</p> | <p>In Geography this term, pupils will be mapping modern Europe and comparing how countries have changed since Word War 1. We will be learning about which countries were involved in the Great War , where the fighting took place and how those landscapes have changed since.</p> |
| <p>History</p> | <p>Pupils will be learning about the events that led up to and events of the Christmas Truce. They will find out about life in the trenches and what no man’s land was. Also pupils will learn about the impact the Christmas Truce had on the trenches and what happened afterwards.</p> |
| <p>Art</p> | <p>In Art, pupils will be looking at different types of art that came out of the trenches. There will be a focus on pencil lines, shading and textures. Pupils will recreate some of the art work of the soldiers from the trenches.</p> |
| <p>DT</p> | <p>Pupils will be using their learning about the Christmas Truce to create their own Christmas Truce memorial using a range of different materials and items they might have had in the trenches during World War 1.</p> |
| <p>PE <i>Please ensure full PE kits (outdoor and indoor) are in school every day.</i></p> | <p>In outdoor PE this term, pupils will be doing OAA. In indoor PE pupils will be doing gymnastics. There will be a focus on travelling using the mats, small apparatus and moving onto the large apparatus.</p> |
| <p>Music</p> | <p>In Music, pupils will be singing a few different World War 1 songs. Our main focus will be learning to sing ‘Silent Night’ in both English and German to remember the soldiers that sung in on Christmas Eve.</p> |
| <p>RE</p> | <p>During term 1 and 2 pupils will be learning about what it means to be a Christian in Britain today? Pupils will learn about Christian beliefs and how they show their faith. They will discuss why Christians and other people help on another.</p> |
| <p>P.S.H.E</p> | <p>This term pupils will learn how to stay safe and protected on the internet. There will be focus on using YouTube, different online gaming sites and how to ensure they are using their privacy settings correctly.</p> |

Ways in which you could support next terms curriculum at home:

| Books you could read | Places you could visit together | Other activities |
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| <p>*War Boy *Non-fiction texts about WW1</p> | <p>*Look for the Tommies around Kent.</p> | <p>*Cook a trench stew * *Watch the Christmas Truce Sainsburys advert</p> |