

Class 4 Autumn Newsletter

The Class 4 Team: Mr Wilcox & Mrs Cotton

As Historians:

Our topic this term will be Teesside at War. We will spend the first half term exploring the causes and key events of the Second World War. This will involve investigating the effect of the First World War, the impact of the war on Britain as a whole and the technology and weaponry used during the wars. After the half term break, our focus will be on the impact of the Second World War on Teesside.

As Geographers:

As part of our Teesside at War topic, we will be looking at the different countries involved in the World Wars, the location and geographical features. We will also be investigating the locations children were evacuated to and the targets of German bombing raids and exploring their significance and the reasons they were chosen. In particular, focusing on the human geography of towns and cities in the UK.

As Scientists:

In the first half term, our science work will focus on living things and their habitats. We will be investigating how living things are classified and the classification code can be used to identify living things.

Our second science topic of the term focuses on electricity. We will be using our knowledge of electrical circuits to create electrical art.

In Computing:

We will be looking at what we do online and how to keep ourselves safe. After the half term break, we will be creating our own games.

In RE:

Our work will focus on Sikhism followed by the true meaning of Christmas.

Spellings

Spellings will be set and tested each Friday.

As Mathematicians:

Our maths work will initially focus on re-capping and extending our knowledge of numbers and using place value to solve problems involving seven-digit numbers. We will also be practising our application of written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Towards the end of the term, our focus will turn to fractions where we will be converting, simplifying and finding equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages.

As Writers:

Our first pieces of writing will be linked to Nizrana Farook's The Girl who Stole an Elephant. We will be writing diary entries and playscripts linked to events in the book. We will be writing recounts and news reports based on the book Tuesday by David Wiesner and writing poetry inspired by the Book of Hopes.

Throughout the term we will further develop our knowledge of grammar and punctuation, ensuring it is used accurately in our writing.

As Artists:

We will be exploring different techniques involving line, light and shadow.

As Designers:

We will be exploring a range of different sewing stitches.

Homework

Maths homework will be set using My Maths each Thursday. Topic homework will be set on Seesaw each half-term.