

A Child's War

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

A siren sounds, a building crumbles, a Spitfire zooms overhead. Take cover. It's 1939 and Britain is at war. Deep down in the Anderson shelter, learn why nations are fighting and why child evacuees must make the long journey from their homes and families into unknown territory. Read the diary of Anne Frank, written whilst hiding from the terrifying stormtroopers in a secret annexe, and try to empathise with her hopes and fears. Make do and mend. Cook up a family meal from meagre rations. Delve deep into a bygone era, when loose lips sunk ships. And, as peace is declared, let's get ready to celebrate. Mr Churchill says 'It's an unconditional surrender.'

Big Question	In what ways did the Second World War impact on children?
ILP focus	History
English	Writing an opening with dialogue and writing a diary entry
D&T	Making a model in the style of an Anderson shelter
Art & design	Comparing wartime artists
Computing	Online safety and We are Network Technicians
Geography	Using lines of longitude and latitude, locating cities, evacuation locations
History	Events of the Second World War, evacuation, leaders
Mathematics	Place value, problems using different operations
PE	Wartime games
PSHE	A Speech to the Commonwealth
Science	How can you send a coded message? Electricity
RE	Living by rules

Help your child prepare for their project

Use a range of sources, including information books and the internet, to find out about some of the Second World War's key events. Record the events chronologically on a timeline, and include one or two sentences about each event. Use your research skills to find wartime recipes for meals that people made using their rations. Choose one of the recipes and together, make your chosen meal. Review the meal, considering the method, appearance, taste and possible improvements.

Year 6's Notices

- Read with children at home **every day** and remember to encourage your child to log on to their Bug Club account to read books and answer comprehension quizzes.
- **Homework** will be available weekly (every Friday) through the school website or the children's google classroom accounts. **All children are expected** to complete their homework and this will be monitored by class teachers.
- Remember to continue encouraging children to log in to their TT Rockstars account to practise their times tables.
- Wear **P.E kits** to school. P.E is on:
 - 6A: Monday
 - 6J: Tuesday
- You must apply for your child's secondary school place by the 31st October 2022. Please do this via: <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>