

English



In our daily English lessons, we will be investigating, writing and evaluating non-fiction writing genres and a book linked to our theme. We will be:

- Expanding our vocabulary and sentence structures through character descriptions
- Learning how to link paragraphs by content and adverbial phrasing in discursive and persuasive texts
- Selecting the correct language to create atmosphere and a clear viewpoint in letters of complaint.

Spelling, grammar, punctuation and reading will be taught alongside this work.

PSHE & RE



We will be discussing our personal goals and discussing different British values, what they mean and how they affect our lives and society.

We will follow the SACRE guidelines in our RE lessons about commitments and respecting the religions in our community.

Year 5 and 6 Curriculum Map Spring Term 2017



PE



In our two lessons each week we will cover invasion games and dance. We will be working with Aspire Sports to improve our basketball skills. We will also create a narrative in dance using mime and phrasing.

Music



Each week, we will be learning songs from the 1940s and exploring the meaning of their lyrics and effect on morale.

French



We will have weekly French lessons led by a specialist teacher.

DT



In DT we'll be making model air raid shelters. We will research the air raid shelters designed in World War Two and test for the most appropriate materials with which to make our models.

Art



In Art, we'll use sketch books to record observations and then improve our mastery of charcoal and pastels to create atmospheric images of the Blitz. We'll also study the images of those who lived through it using the correct proportions to sketch their faces.

Science



In Science this term, each week we will have two lessons. We will be learning about:

Materials - How we separate and classify materials by making comparative tests. We will also learn about the different states of matter and how they change.

Electricity - Creating different types of circuits and learning about how different components affect them. We will also investigate changing voltages.

Mathematics



In our daily Mathematics lessons this term we will be learning about:

- Properties of numbers
- Number sequences.
- Decimals in real life situations.
- Coordinates.
- Weekly Arithmetic lessons.
- Calculating area and perimeter.

Computing



In our one dedicated ICT lesson a week, we'll be learning about why computer simulations are useful, why some are so complex and how they allow us to manipulate variables. Our second ICT lesson of the week will be used to enhance our cross-curricular learning using a range of non-fiction websites. A central part of our Computing lessons will continue to be e-safety.

Theme



In our two History lesson each week, we'll be studying the impact of the Second World War on Birmingham as a local study and its part as a significant turning point in Britain's history. We'll use a range of sources from first-hand accounts to archive film.