

'We Shall Never Surrender'

Britain at War

Year Six Morpurgo
Autumn Term 2026



Key Areas of Learning

As **geographers**, we will be learning about where natural disasters are more likely to occur and the causes of them. We will be developing our map skills and widening our vocabulary to describe locations.

As **historians**, we will use primary and secondary sources to learn what it was like in Britain during World War Two in the Home Front. This involves learning about the evacuation of children to the countryside, rationing, The Blitz and the role of women in the Home Front.

As **scientists**, we will investigate Light and find out how we see. We will explore and learn about reflection, refraction, shadows, rainbows and colours. We will also learn about Electricity, where we will understand how the voltage in a circuit affects the function of light bulbs, buzzers and motors.

English

As readers, we will read *When The Sky Falls* by Phil Earle and *The Arrival* by Shaun Tan in depth to help develop an understanding of what life was like during World War II. We will also read a range of poetry.

As writers, we will write for different purposes and in different characters, including writing narratives, news reports, diary entries, autobiographies, biographies and poetry.

Maths

As mathematicians, we will concentrate on developing our understanding of: place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and converting different units of measurement.

We will develop our mathematical reasoning skills to be able to answer two or three step word problems relating to all four mathematical operations.

We will learn how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. We will also build upon our understanding of translation, reflection and rotation in geometry.

Computing

In Computing, we will become cryptographers who crack and create codes.

We will work on a collaborative project using Google Slides and we will create a simple report using charts and tables.

PSHE

During our PSHE lessons, we will learn to look at our role in the world by identifying our own goals, exploring our rights, evaluating our choices and investigating the theme of democracy. We will also celebrate our differences and challenge perceptions of normality.

PE

In Physical Education, we will learn how to defend, attack, work collaboratively and safely whilst playing hockey, tag rugby and sports leadership. During our dance lessons, we will create both sequential and creative routines.

Music

As musicians, we will learn to perform and compose using eight pitched notes. We will also perform with confidence and accuracy as part of a group, or independently.

RE

In RE, we will develop our understanding of Islam and will discuss ways in which Muslims show commitment to Allah. We will also learn how Christmas traditions help Christians understand the significance of Jesus.

Art and DT

As creators, we will be creating sculptures, inspired by our History topic, World War II. We will learn how to create free-standing pieces of Art.

In DT, we will be developing our sewing and textiles skills, using applique skills and learning new types of stitching.

French

In French, we will develop our reading, writing, speaking and listening skills around the themes of our week, sports and our opinions on sports.

Experiences

Visit to the National Army Museum TBC
Class Assembly- Tuesday 1st December

Whole School Events and Themes

Meet the teacher Meeting
Autumn term Parent Meetings 20/10 and 22/10
Clubs start: WB 21/09 for 10 sessions
Christmas Carols WB 7/12



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