

Hawthorn Autumn 1 Newsletter

Topic Theme: WW2

Welcome Back!

I hope you have all had a fantastic summer and are refreshed and ready for your first term as a year 6!

In **literacy** we will be writing a character description of Mister Tom from the novel and film: Goodnight Mister Tom. We will also be using the novel study to write an informal letter. We will be visiting Eden Camp, which will help us write a setting description of the blitz. We will also develop our handwriting, spelling and knowledge of grammar.

In **Numeracy** we will be refreshing our understanding of number and place value. We will also be using formal written methods to solve multiplication and division problems. In addition, we will be developing our understanding of number by learning about square, cubed and prime numbers.

In **History** we will be learning about how and why WW2 started. We will be focusing on how it would have felt to be an evacuee during those times. Further to this, we will be designing and making our own Anderson Shelters.

In **Science** we will be looking at light and seeing things. We will explore different types of light sources that we use every day. We will also be understanding how we actually see things!

In **Art** and **Design** we will be learning about an artist called Henry Moore. He was a sculptor and we will be using his work as inspiration for our own.

In **Music** we will look at popular music from WW2. We will understand the importance of music during that time and difference between music in WW1 and WW2.

Other information

- PE days are **Mondays** and **Fridays**. This half term we will be focussing on fitness and netball (Kit : Coloured PE T-shirt, blue/black shorts or leggings and suitable footwear). Please remind children to bring kit each week, otherwise they are unable to participate in any PE sessions.
- Homework will be sent home on Mondays (from week 2). Spellings will be tested on Fridays and homework activities should be handed in on Monday for marking.

I am looking forward to working with you this year as the new Hawthorn class!

Mr Bletcher