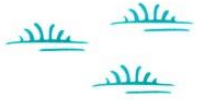


Gorringe Park Primary School



Dear Families,

The best learning takes place when the context is meaningful and made real to the child's own life. We hope that by sharing our aims, you and your family will support your child's learning in any way you can.

If you have any skill, resources or knowledge that you can contribute and share with us at school, please see your child's class teacher.

MATHS

In maths this half term, we will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes; time, ratio and proportion as well as algebra. Finally, we will be revising all our times table with division facts, and also consolidating our knowledge of what we have previously learnt in preparation for our SATs..

Year 6
Summer 1

ENGLISH

In English this term, we will be reading about the life of Anne Frank. Using her biography as a stimulus, we will be producing letters, short descriptions, extended diary entries and obituaries. We will also be heading into the world of Shakespeare focussing on Macbeth. Through this play, we will rediscover recurring themes, powerful characters and the impact of a monologue.

RE

This half term, we will be learning about the importance of marriage rites and the different marriage ceremonies that take place, in the different faiths.

Britain at War

PE

For P.E this term, we will be learning about some of the keys skills of cricket including how to bowl, field and bat.

History

This term in history, we will be learning about both World Wars. We will begin by understanding the causes of The Great War and learning how Britain had to step up to fight the Axis powers.

SCIENCE

Our focus, for science this term will be animals, including humans. In this topic we will learn about the human circulatory system, the structure of the heart, the three main types of blood vessels and the importance of a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

PSHCE

In PSHCE, we will look be looking at identifying what makes us feel stressed and the strategies we can put in place through these testing times. As well as looking after our mental health, we will also learn about the importance of health and safety. This includes hygiene routines, using mobile phones responsibly and developing healthy habits.

Britain at War

In the Britain at War project, your child will learn about the main causes of the First World War and which countries were the major players. They will investigate why so many men volunteered to fight and then sequence the events at the start of the war. Using various sources of evidence, the children will learn about life in the trenches and the consequences of new weaponry. They will listen to first-hand accounts of life on the home front and evaluate the impact of war on everyday life.

They will also discover the events that led to the Allied Powers' victory and the consequences of the Treaty of Versailles. The children will also learn about the causes and main events of the Second World War. They will find out how Britain prepared itself for war and the war's impact on civilian life. They will learn about the Battle of Britain and how it proved to be a key turning point for the Allied Powers. They will also hear about Anne Frank and discover what her story tells us about the treatment of Jewish people by the Nazi Party. The children will research the causes and consequences of the end of the Second World War and investigate the legacy of the wars in Britain. Closer to home, the children will research the life of a local First World War hero who sacrificed their life fighting for Britain. They will also investigate the legacy of these global conflicts in the post-war period.

How you can help at home

Use a range of sources to find out about the following important events, which involved Britain during the Second World War: Battle of Britain, the Blitz and D-Day. Use bullet points to write a list of key findings about each event.

The Ministry of Information produced persuasive posters during both the First and Second World Wars to affect people's opinions and actions. Use online sources to learn more about wartime posters and to find examples. Choose some wartime posters to explore and answer these questions: Who was the poster aimed at? What was it meant to achieve? How effective do you think it was and why?

Use a range of sources to look at images of First World War trenches. Find out about trench warfare.