

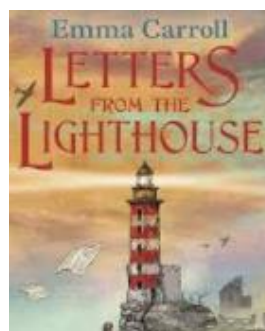
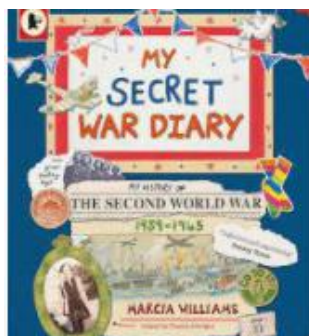
# Sycamore Class – Term 1 Newsletter ‘World War 2’

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely summer holiday! Our topic for Term 1 is ‘World War 2’ and we will begin by using the text ‘My Secret War Diary’ by Marcia Williams. Our topic work this term will be based on war at home considering how the Second World War started and the use of propaganda to encourage people to join the war effort. We will also be looking at ‘Letters from the Lighthouse’ in our guided reading sessions. Our PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday, please ensure your child wears the appropriate PE kit to school on these days.

Reading	Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and ensure that their reading record is signed and dated. A member of staff will be checking reading diaries on a Friday.
Spellings	Spelling tests are every Friday, and your child will be tested on the spelling pattern they have learnt about that week. New spellings will be sent out every Monday.
Maths	Maths homework will be set using a CGP book on a Monday and will be expected to have been completed by the Friday of that week.
Times Tables	Each child has a Times Table Rockstars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) three times a week at home.
Grammar	Grammar homework will be sent home on a Monday using a CGP book and your child will have two weeks to complete this, due in on the Friday.

This terms book



# 'World War 2' Learning Map

<p><b>Literacy</b></p> 	<p><b>Diary writing</b></p> 	<p><b>Letters</b></p> 	<p><b>Narrative</b></p> 	
<p><b>Maths</b></p> 	<p><b>Place value</b></p> 	<p><b>Calculation – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division</b></p> 	<p><b>Reasoning and word problems</b></p> 	
<p><b>Science</b></p> 	<p><b>FORCES</b></p> 			
<p><b>Design and</b></p> 	<p><b>Designing and make a model of an air raid shelter</b></p>		<p><b>World War 2 Cooking</b></p> 	
<p><b>Technology</b></p>	<p><b>History</b></p> 	<p><b>What makes a War?</b></p> 	<p><b>Home front</b></p> 	<p><b>Winston Churchill</b></p> 
<p><b>PSHE</b></p> 	<p><b>Goals</b></p> 	<p><b>Being me in the world- Jigsaw scheme of learning</b></p>		
<p><b>Computing</b></p> 	<p><b>BLOGGING</b></p> 		<p><b>Online Safety</b></p> 	
<p><b>RE</b></p> 	<p><b>Why do some people believe in God?</b></p> 			
<p><b>French</b></p> 	<p><b>Je me présente</b></p> 			
<p><b>Music</b></p> 	<p><b>Appraising World War 2 Music/Songs</b></p> 			

**Useful Websites:**

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/world\\_war2/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/world_war2/)

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/war>

<http://resources.woodlands.kent.sch.uk/Homework/Britain.html>

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- Topics
- History
- Choose from a selection of activities based on WW2

**Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term:**

- Who was Adolf Hitler?
- Why did WW2 begin?
- What does 'propaganda' mean?
- Can you explain the difference between Morrison and Anderson shelters?
  - What has happened so far in 'My Secret War Diary'?
- Who are the main characters in the story? How do you feel about them?
- Can you predict what might happen next in the story?

**Helping to enrich our topics**

It is always great to have items that support our topic, so if anyone has any items that may help us with any of the work above that we could borrow, we would love to share in school.

**WW2 Dress Up Day.**

In Week 7 the children will be invited to come in dressed up for a day in role as a WW2 pupil. There will be an opportunity for the children to cook some WW2 recipes.

**WW2 Trip**

We are looking to arrange a trip so the children can develop an understanding of what it was like to at war on the Home Front. A trip letter will follow soon.

**Reminders**

Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day with fresh water, ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat for any wet weather.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mr Cline, Miss Webb and Mrs Taylor.