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Dear Parents and Carers,

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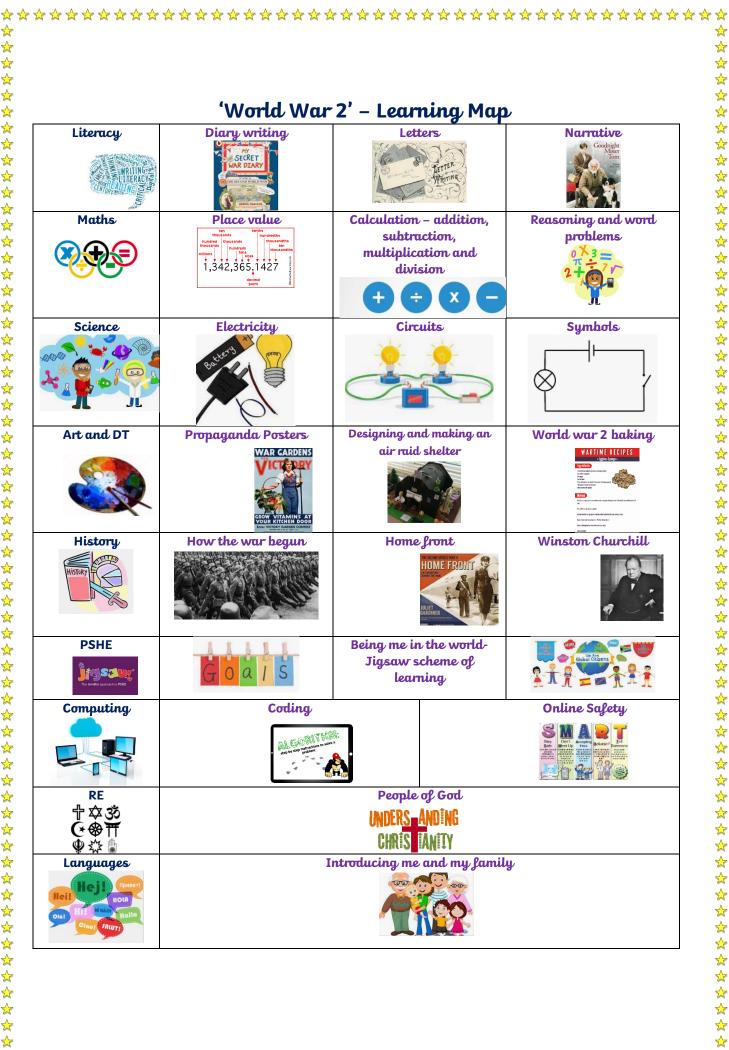
I hope you have had a lovely summer holiday! Our topic for term 1 is 'World War 2' and we will begin by using the text 'My Secret War Diary' by Marcia Williams. Our topic work this term will be based on war at home, considering how the Second World War started and the use of propaganda to encourage people to join the war effort. We will also be looking at the story 'Goodnight Mr Tom' later on in the term and 'Letters from the Lighthouse' in our guided reading sessions.

Our PE days are Thursdays and alternate Fridays, please ensure your child's kit is always in school.

	Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and ensure that
Reading	their reading record is signed and dated. A member of staff will be checking
Ū	reading diaries on a Friday.
	Spelling tests are every Thursday and your child will be tested on the spelling
Spellings	pattern they have learnt about that week. New spelling will be sent out every
	Friday, please ensure your child has their spelling book in school every
	Thursday.
complet	Maths homework will be set on a Monday and will be expected to have been
	completed by the following Monday. Maths homework for Year 5 will be set on
Matha	'MyMaths' and the children have their logins stuck in the front of their Reading
Mains	Records. If your child finds the task tricky, there is a revision lesson that they
	can use first. Parents are encouraged to sit with their child during homework to
	support. Year 6 Maths homework is set in their CGP Arithmetic books.
Times	Children will learn their tables and practise these in school at least twice a week.
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 homework will be sent home on a Monday and your child will have
Grammar	two weeks to complete this, due in on the Monday. The homework will be based
	on the grammar they will be learning within their literacy lessons. To help with
	our in-class assessments, please indicate when you have helped your child.

This term's books:





Music	Appraising World War 2 music		
Useful Websites:			
http://www.bbc.co.u			
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Purple Mash			
- Topics			
– History			
0	ction of activities based on WW2		
Questions you could	ask your child about their learning this term:		
- Who was Adolf Hit			
- Why did WW2 beg	in?		
- What does 'Propag	anda' mean?		
- Can you explain th	e difference between Morrison and Anderson		
shelters?			
- What has happene	ed so far in 'My Secret War Diary'?		
- Who are the main	characters in the story? How do you feel about		
them?			
Cap you prodict you	rat might happen next in the story?		

<u>Helping to enrich our topics</u>

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 see them. We will have a topic-based 'show and tell' weekly on a Friday, see below the slot for your child.

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Week 1 Friday 10th September - Year 5 boys Week 2 Friday 17th September – Year 6 girls Week 3 Friday 24th September – Year 5 girls Week 4 Friday 1st October – Year 6 girls

Only items linked to the topic should be brought into school.

<u>**Reminders</u>** – Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day</u> with fresh water; ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat for any wet weather.

Many thanks for your continued support,

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