



Lilac Class - Term 1 Newsletter 'World War 2'



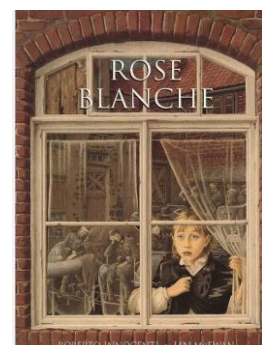
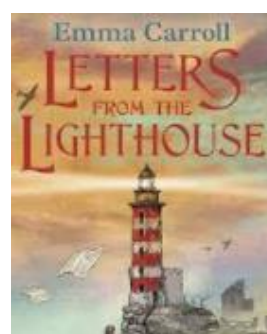
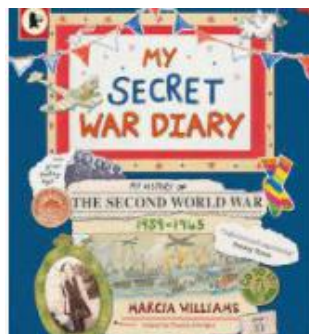
Dear Parents and Carers,

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 the story of Rose Blanche and Letters from the Lighthouse in our guided reading sessions.

Our PE day is Friday, please ensure your child's kit is always in school.

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 ? and your child will be tested on the spelling 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.
Maths	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 'MyMaths' and the children have their logins stuck in the front of their Reading 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 Tables	Children will learn their tables and practise these in school at least twice a week. 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 and your child will have 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 terms books:



'World War 2' – Learning Map

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

Useful Websites:

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,