



# Burton Joyce Primary

## Autumn 2 in Years 5&6

### English

Our children will enjoy producing a newspaper report about the break out of World War II, a piece of creative writing based upon Pie Corbett's 'Gas Mask' and producing a non-fiction text relating to the life of Anne Frank.



### Science

Our focus will be on the topic of electricity. As part of our studies, we will investigate the effects of changes in voltage and components in series circuits. Additionally, the children will deepen their understanding of circuit diagrams.



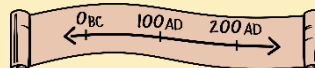
### Welcome Back

After what has been an enjoyable and relaxing break for you, hopefully you're all raring to go and feel fresh to face the half term ahead of us. Much of our work is going to orientate around our umbrella topic of World War II – a topic which always particularly inspires children as it is a period of history which is recent and relatable.



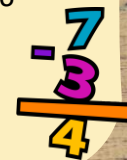
### History

As you will be able to tell from our cross-curricular learning, we will study and explore the events preceding and during World War II. This will include a study of how and why children were evacuated from major cities, the changing role of women and the devastating impact of 'The Blitz.



### Maths

Each lesson will continue to begin with a concentrated focus on arithmetic. For the main body of the lessons, our Year 5 pupils will be studying multiplication & division followed by fractions. Our Year 6 pupils will be studying fractions followed by converting units.



### Computing

We will spend time exploring coding using an app called Swift Playgrounds. This will include extending the children's understanding of how to use and create commands and functions.

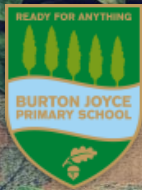


### DT

The children will explore how people's diets had to change during World War II as a result of rationing.







## PE

To ensure our bodies stay fit and healthy, we will explore units based around gymnastics and dance. This will include development of our co-ordination, rhythm and flexibility.



## Spellings

This half term, our spelling focus will be based around suffixes, with particular focus on '...ant', '...ance', '...ent' and '...ency', '...able', '...ible', '...ably' and '...ibly'.



## Music

Over the next 8 weeks, our pupils will engage with 2 units entitled 'Shadows' and 'Composing for protest!', which will include a comparison between musical genres and creating a piece of music.



## RE

The children will delve into a unit called 'Expressing faith through the arts'. This will involve looking at differences in art, music and architecture across multiple faiths.



## PSHE



Our unit for the half term is entitled 'Celebrating Difference'. This will include exploration of empathy, attitudes and bullying.

## Dates to remember...

30.10.23: Wellbeing Day  
02.11.23: Flu immunisations  
08.11.23: Year 6 residential meeting  
14 & 16.11.23: Parents evenings  
17.11.23: Children In Need  
02.12.23: Christmas Fair  
18.12.23: Holocaust Centre school trip  
21.12.23: Christmas craft & jumper day

Have a great  
half term

