

Foxfield Year 5 Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

Friday 10th June 2022

During this term, the children will be continuing to connect with the theme of peace and conflict by exploring the events of WW2 further from their Geography learning last term. This theme will inspire our English and History learning journeys that will allow the children to understand the emotions and feelings surrounding the major conflict.

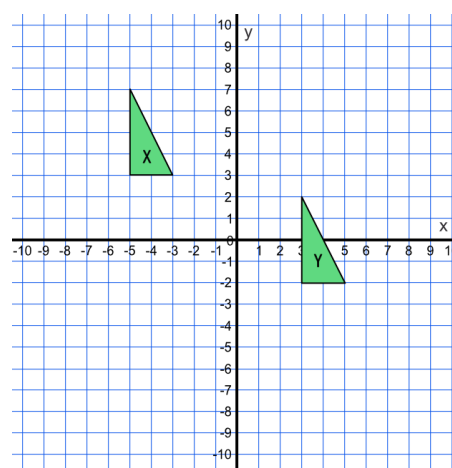
In History, linking to our global theme of peace and conflict, and specifically looking at the major events of WW2, including the triggers of the international conflict that impacted the world significantly. They will analyse the events that lead to the declaration of war as well as explore the key figures involved in the war and how their impact can be viewed from different perspectives.



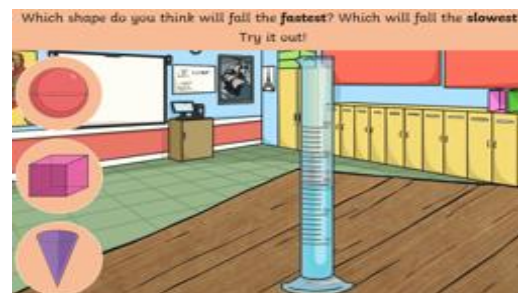
In English, we will again be linking the global theme to our core text “Dunkirk” which focuses on a major historical event during WW2. This text along with non-fiction, newspapers, propaganda, fake news, diaries from evacuees and soldiers will inspire the learning journey. For our incidental write, the children will be generating a written discussion on whether the evacuation at Dunkirk was heroic or a disgrace based on different perspectives. The children will build up to this by looking at the persuasive language features as well as structural features required to produce a quality written discussion. Furthermore, as a final outcome, the children will be working towards and writing a non-linear narrative – looking at the events leading up to the battle at Dunkirk.



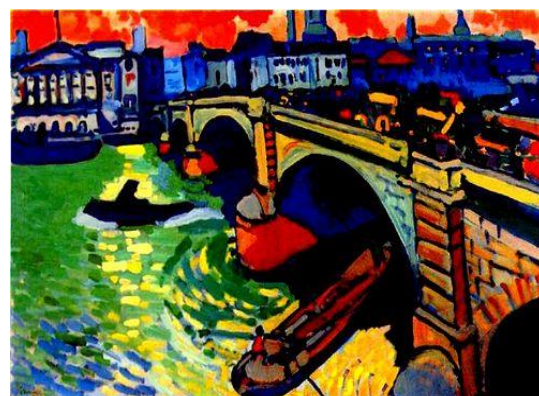
In maths this half term, the children will be building on their understanding on the properties of different shapes, including regular and irregular polygons and 3-D shapes. This will lead onto recapping and deepening the childrens knowledge of area and perimeter to calculate irregular shapes as part of multi-step problems. Furthermore, we will be learning how to translate shapes position on coordinate grids, including rotation and reflection. Finally, we will use the final week to consolidate any areas that the children may benefit from recapping to prepare them thoroughly for year 6.



In science, we will be exploring and researching forces and their impact on the world around us. This will include gravity, air resistance, and friction and be explored through a series of engaging activity and experiments like making small parachutes, racing toy vehicles down different surfaces and measuring forces using equipment.



Our Art learning this half term will be concentrated into two weeks for arts fortnight where the children will work on a project each day. Each class outcome will differ slightly but all based on the art style Fauvism which uses bright contrasting colours to create imagery of everyday views. The children will be aiming to link this to their local area through musical dance and paintings of the bridges in London. To aid this, the children will visit some of the bridges in London to sketch them prior to creating the outcomes in different mediums.



In RE, we will studying Sikhism where we aim to reflect on the key artefacts and their role within the faith. Furthermore, we will explore the story of Guru Nanak and visit a Gurdwara to consolidate our learning.

In PE, we will be focusing on a range of athletic activities that will develop the children's coordination in a range of events that will support them transitioning into sports day this term.

Please remember that reading every day is essential. Please support your child at home and take the time to read a range of different texts which include newspapers, comics, fiction texts, blogs, information books. Children are encouraged to change their book every week and record their comments in their reading journal. We welcome parental involvement in the life of our school. If you are able to visit the school or help in any way, please contact your child's class teacher.

