## Year 6 Spring Term Newsletter

## Our Theme

Our theme for this term is now **World War II**. During this topic we will look at the causes of the war, what it was like to be evacuated and propaganda. We take on the serious themes: the Blitz; Jewish persecution in Germany; the Holocaust and Anne Frank. The children will carry out research to answer questions such as 'Could WWII have been avoided'? or 'Which country's propaganda was the most effective?'

## English

Our writing in English will also be linked to our theme and we will be writing stories and descriptions based around the



book 'Goodnight Mr Tom,' by Michelle Magorian. We will then be writing newspaper reports about a WW2 bombing event. Our class reading book will be 'I am not a number' by Lisa Heathfield and we will carry out tasks based on the text.

In addition, we will continue to work on our reading skills of inference and deduction as well as learning new vocabulary and improving our reading fluency.

## Maths

Our Maths lessons this term will have a big focus on fractions, decimals and percentages and the relationship between them. Shape work including angles and position and direction will also be covered in great detail. Alongside this we will continue to work on arithmetic skills.

You can continue to support your child by engaging them in every day maths situations including telling the time, handling money and reading measures. In order to prepare children for their SATs, practicing the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division will be essential. It is also important your child knows the times tables up to the twelve times tables, forwards and backwards, and the associated division facts e.g.  $63 \div 9 = 7$ .

<u>Wednesday 22nd January 2025</u> is our Year 6 evacuation day. Children may come into school dressed up to immerse themselves within the day. Please see our evacuation day letter for more information.

Please ensure that if your child is attending our Birch Hall residential trip in July 2025 that payments are made. The full payment is due on the <u>21st April 2025</u>.

The year 6 team would like to thank you for your continued support.