



Does the past influence the future?



Literacy & Languages

At school we will :

- Develop our understanding of grammar skills, exploring active and passive voice, word class and higher level punctuation.
- Explore how to construct an effective explanation text based around the history element of our topic.
- Investigate how to construct powerful setting descriptions.
- Develop our comprehension skills, focussing on improving our inference and deduction skills.

At home you can help by:

- Ensuring that your child practises spelling daily using Spelling Shed.
- Ensuring that your child reads for 10-15 minutes each day.
- Encouraging your child to read their sentences aloud and identify and edit any mistakes.

Humanities

At school we will :

- Explore how the past has helped to shape and influence our local area, focussing on how life around the River Medway has changed throughout the centuries.
- Explore elements of World War 2, learning how key events, such as The Battle of Britain impacted and changed life in Britain.
- Investigate how the physical landscape of Medway has influenced life within the area over the centuries.

At home you can help by:

- Exploring historical links within the local area, such as street names or places such as Rochester.
- Encouraging your child to create a presentation about The Battle of Britain or World War 2.

Stimulus

Battle of Hastings re-enactment

Maths

At school we will :

- Develop our ability to calculate with decimals using the four operations, ordering and comparing.
- Explore percentages, learning to calculate percentages of amounts and exploring multi-step problems.
- Explore decimal, fraction and percentage equivalents.
- Investigate algebra, learning how to identify rules and write and use simple expressions using letters to represent Unknowns.

At home you can help by:

- Ensuring that your child uses Times Tables Rockstars daily.
- Sharing daily flip-learning with your child, discussing what they are learning and the methods they are using when calculating.

Healthy Living

At school we will :

- Develop our understanding of the importance of being active and keeping our bodies healthy through daily P.E. sessions.
- Develop dance skills, following and then composing dance sequences with increasing complexity.
- In R.E. we will be exploring Justice and Freedom, learning what different religions believe about these concepts and learning to identify similarities and differences.

At home you can help by:

- Discussing what has been successful for them each day, what challenges they have faced and how they have overcome these difficulties.

Showcase

Parents will be invited on 8th March 2019 at 2.30pm to share the children's Book Week learning.

Science & Technology

At school we will :

- Investigate the ideas of inheritance, exploring how the offspring of animals will have similarities to their parents.
- Investigate how fossils can give us information about what life was like millions of years ago.
- Explore the idea of evolution, investigating how animals have adapted to their environments and how adaptations lead to evolution.
- Explore how to design and construct a model of a WW2 fighter plane, planning, creating and improving their ideas.

At home you can help by :

- encouraging your child to research people such as Mary Anning or Charles Darwin, creating presentations about how their work helped us to understand evolution.

The Arts

At school we will :

- Explore music from different traditions and historical periods, investigating similarities and differences.
- Develop our understanding of how different styles of music are constructed, composing music in styles.
- Develop our painting skills, exploring how shades and tints can add depth.

At home you can help by encouraging your child to:

- use GarageBand to compose music to accompany elements of our topic.
- use Sketch School or paint and paper to create sketches and paintings of the local area, such as Rochester Castle or a stretch along the River Medway.

WOW Moment

World War 2 Day

