

The Bellbird Primary School 'Soaring to Success' Year 6 Autumn

French:

Describing me and others Saying what I and others have (Recap phonics, être, avoir, singular and plural indefinite articles (un, une, des)

Computing:

Online safety, spreadsheets and blogging.

Art:

To link with our class text "Letters from the lighthouse," we will be designing our own coastinspired 3D clay magnets. We will use mood boards to collect our ideas and then practise the skills of drafting and sketching before sculpting in clay.

RE:

"What Would Jesus Do?"

"How can following God bring freedom and justice?"

PSHE:

Developing emotional literacy and conflict resolution strategies.

Rights and responsibilities at home, school and in the wider community, understanding government and parliamentary processes.

PE:

Premier Sport: Outdoor and Adventurous: The children will take part in a variety of teambuilding activities.
Dance: Children will have the opportunity to learn the basic moves involved in the Lindy hop, Charleston and Lambeth Walk – all popular dances during the World Wars.

World War II

The children will spend this term looking at the causes of WW2, what life was like on the home front, life as an evacuee and learning about key events such as the Battle of Britain and VE Day. They will develop their skills in assessing the reliability of historical sources.

Friday 10th November – WW2 evacuee day with History Off The Page.

The completion of homework is an essential part of Year 6, consisting of weekly arithmetic, spelling, grammar & punctuation and daily reading. Homework is sent out each Friday and due each Wednesday.

English:

Reading: We will begin by reading a "Letters from the Lighthouse" which looks at the lives of children evacuated during World War II. We will also read a range of shorter texts linked to other areas of the curriculum. The second half of the term will take inspiration from fairy tale villains. *Writing*: We will develop our writing through a range of genres including

narratives, descriptive writing and information texts as well as writing linked to history, science and DT learning.

Grammar: Grammar and punctuation is embedded within our English lessons and taught through a mixture of short, interactive sessions; these skills will then be applied in the children's independent writing. Grammar and punctuation will also be reinforced by weekly homework.

Spelling: This will focus on consolidating the Key Stage 2 statutory word lists and learning the Year 6 spelling patterns.

Handwriting: Children continue to develop a fluent, joined style.

DT:

We will be researching, planning, creating, marketing and evaluating our "Fairy Tale Carousels", designed bespoke for our reception buddies, who will then attend our "Carousel Carousel", where they will go round, trying each one out!

Mathematics:

A large initial focus in the autumn will be on the consolidation of efficient written calculation methods for all four operations – subtraction, addition, multiplication and division. Children should also be able to rapidly recall number facts, including all the times tables up to x12. This strong focus on number will continue with extended work on fractions, decimals, percentages and ratios, applying this through word problems as well as simple arithmetic. The completion of the weekly homework is **essential** in order that the children consolidate what they have learnt in class.

Science: Light and electricity

First, we will be learning about light rays, reflection and refractions as well as the visible spectrum of light. Following this, we will focus on our understanding of electricity, making simple circuits in preparation for integrating a motor circuit into our carousel DT project.

Music:

The children are learning to play the Ukulele. They will learn how to play basic chords and change between them. They will play some songs containing these chords.