

Welcome to Peacock Class ☺

Welcome to Peacock Class - I am really looking forward to the year ahead.

Our topic this term in 'Remember When' where we will be focusing on World War I in Autumn One and World War 2 in Autumn Two. As part of this we will welcome a visit from Mrs. Dixon's daughter who is a history specialist.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see me or me a message to peacockparents@streetlanepimary.org. We are no longer able to respond to message on DOJO.

Miss Lewis

Art, Design Technology and Science

This half term we will be linking our art and DT to our topics. We will be making poppies to support our understanding; creating art similar to that of Paul Nash developing skills linked to this theme. For the second half of the half term, we will then be exploring electrical systems and motors which is linked to our science topic 'Electricity'.

Computing

Your child will have focussed Computing lessons each term. This half term's focus will be on 'computer systems and networks - systems and searches'. This topic allows the children to understand how searches work and how they are ranked.

Across all areas of the curriculum, we will be using the internet for research in order to develop digital literacy skills.

Homework

Spelling tests will take place on Thursday mornings and spellings will be handed out on the Thursday for the following week. The lists can be found in reading diaries. The spellings for the whole of Autumn one are available on our class page on the website.

Reading

Please hear your child read and record this in your child's diary. This can be a school reading book, an online reading book or a reading material of your choice at home. We encourage the idea of reading for pleasure and the children reading what they enjoy.

Reading homework could even be heading to the local library every few weeks.

Maths

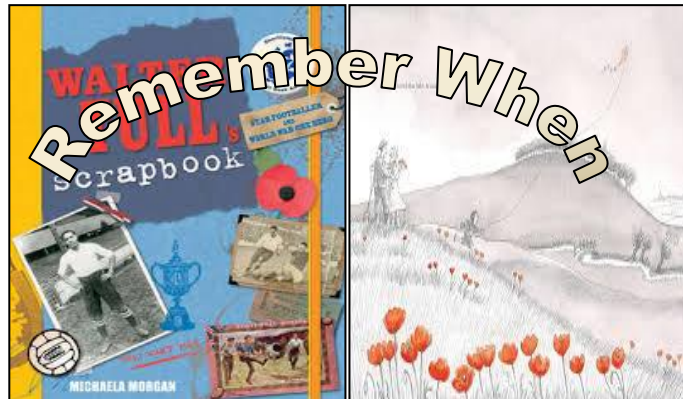
Online maths work is accessible at www.mathletics.co.uk,

History

Our lessons on World War I will focus on the following curriculum questions:

- Why did World War I start?
- How do we remember those that fought?
- What was life like in the trenches?
- Who was Walter Tull?
- How did World War I end?
- What have we learnt about World War I?

As part of this we will be using the text 'Poppy Field' by Michael Morpurgo and 'Walter Tull's Scrapbook' by Michaela Morgan.



English

In this term's English lessons, we will be focussing on the poem 'In Flanders Field' which was written during World War I. We will also be using the following clip to explore inference:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x_Lh006Q6p8

Linked to our History lessons, we will then be writing letters from the trenches and writing a newspaper report on the start of World War I.

In the classroom we have a lovely display of books linked to World War I but if child was interested in finding out more or borrowing books from the local library, the website below has some excellent suggestions:

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/topics/history/world-war-i/>

Within these lessons, the children will also be taught grammar that links to the pieces that they are writing. The grammar terminology can be quite challenging for them so our SP&G classroom posters are available on the website for support if needed at home.

Maths

Autumn 1:

Place Value

Place Value with Decimals

Addition and Subtraction

Multiplication and Division

Autumn 2:

Multiplication and Division Continued

Fractions

Music

In music the children will be exploring the different instruments we have in school and the drawing of notes. Music will be taught by Mrs Cooke.

PE

PE will take place every Tuesday afternoon with Isaac. Children will need to arrive dressed in their PE kit for the day. This half term they will be recapping the fundamentals used to participate in most sports through Athletics.

Polite reminder: Please ensure children have appropriate clothing for outdoor PE e.g. trainers, hoody, coat and hat. They must also bring a water bottle.

RE

Our question this half term will be...

What matters most to Humanists and Christians?

PSHE

In PSHE this half term we will be exploring the theme 'Being Me' where we will understand that we all have different traits that make us who we are, understanding the meaning of discrimination and diversity and recognise the impact that we might have on the community.