

Dear Parents and Carers,



Welcome back after the half term holidays!

We have an exciting half term up ahead with a new topic of 'The Home Front' based on World War II. If you have any resources or family history from WWI or WWII, we would like to hear about it.

Despite the wet weather and colder, darker mornings, we really want to see pupils arriving at school from 8.30am to make the most of the morning independent study time. This time is invaluable practise to ensure we really own their learning.

It's been an exciting time as pupils and parents have been deciding on Secondary schools for next year. We will be doing more through-out the year to help children prepare for their transition to high school.

Within this half term is our Parents' Evening and we are looking forward to discussing your child's start to year 6 and the next steps to ensure their success this year. If you know you are unable to attend the dates please speak to the school office or class teacher and we will organise an alternative time/day for you.

### Dates for your Diary

Thursday 14th November 2019 - Year 6 Cinema Trip.

Monday 25th November 2019 - Parents' Evening.

Wednesday 27th November 2019 - Parents' Evening.

Friday 6th December 2019 - Helping Hands Christmas Fayre.

Thursday 19th December 2019 - Christmas Dinner Day.

Friday 20th December 2019 - Last day of term. Finish at 1.00pm.

Monday 23rd December 2019 - Development Day.

We thank you for continued support,  
The Year 6 Team



# Nine Acres Primary School Autumn Term 2 2019

## Year 6 Team

Miss McDonald



Mrs Scott



Miss Rowe



Mrs Michelmore



## Parent Information Leaflet

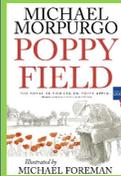


'Striving for Excellence'

# Year 6 - Autumn Term 2 2019 - Theme: HOME FRONT

## English - Goodnight Mister Tom

Linked to our WW theme, our English sessions this half term will delve into fantastic literature which will support our understanding of the topic and allow us to develop our writing skills in persuasion, emotion and story telling!



On November 11th, we will start our journey by looking at the war poem 'Flanders Fields' and creating our own poetry to communicate the emotive messages that war brings.

In our main text 'Goodnight Mr Tom', we will be following the story of young Willie Beech who is evacuated to the countryside as Britain stands on the brink of the Second World War. A sad, deprived child, he slowly begins to flourish under the care of old Tom Oakley—but his new-found happiness is shattered by a summons from his mother back in London. This text will really push our reading skills by exploring new vocabulary, interpreting emotions and



use of emotions by an author to impact on a reader. Extracts from other texts we will also explore include: 'Poppy Field' by Michael Morpurgo; 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll and 'Pax' by Sara Pennypacker.



Using all of these to give us inspiration, this half term we will focus on developing our writing skills by writing persuasive letters to Neville Chamberlain, emotive letters from the perspective of an evacuee and then looking at stories with flashbacks in order to tell a soldier's tale of time at war. In order to complete these we will be teaching the children to develop their use of modal verbs, learn the correct use of subjunctive form and begin to practise the use of active and passive sentence types.



**P.E.** Sessions this term will continue to be on a Tuesday please ensure children have the appropriate kit in school.

## Mathematics

Pupils will be continue to practise arithmetic questions on a daily basis in Early Bird Maths as well as test technique with Miss Rowe and Mrs Michelmore on Tuesdays. This half term we will complete our unit on fractions leading on to decimals and percentages. Pupils will solve problems involving the calculation of percentages and recall equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages in different contexts.

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1% = £3

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× 43 to get 43%

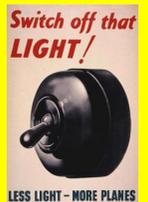
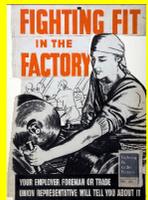
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## Theme

Our World War topic theme for this half term is 'HOME FRONT', where we will be finding out what effect WW had on the Isle of Wight. We will learn about the outbreak of WWI, war propaganda, changes in women's jobs and technology, rations, the Blitz and evacuation—linking closely to our English text 'Goodnight Mister Tom'.



In Science, we will explore circuits and components in electricity, linking it to the black out in our WWII theme. P.S.H.E will look at democracy through new laws and voting alongside the upcoming elections. In addition, pupils will learn about budgeting and shopping linked to WWII rations.



## Home Learning



We are impressed with how mature the pupils have been in completing and looking after their **revision guides**. A reminder that your child will be directed to complete activities from the revision books on a **Wednesday** and they will be expected to complete and hand in on the **Tuesday** of the following week. Every piece of homework is discussed and marked in class with the pupils. **Homework club** is on Thursday lunchtime and **Thursday** after school. Don't forget, **reading logs** will be checked weekly and must be signed by an adult.