

## St Mary's CE Primary School - Year 6 Autumn Term 1 2024

**English: Reading** – During this half term, we will be developing our reading skills (such as skimming, scanning, interpreting and deducing) through studying the text **War Horse by Michael Morpurgo**. We will also be reading a range of other non-fiction/fiction texts and poetry.

**Writing, Punctuation and Grammar** – Throughout the term, we will be covering a range of writing genres, from trench letters and poetry to narratives and information booklets. We will continue to learn about grammar and punctuation within the context of these writing genres. We will follow **'The Write Stuff Writing Rainbow'** to aid our learning.

**Spelling**- We will be recapping spelling patterns learned throughout Year 5 whilst moving on through the **Read, Write, Inc spelling scheme** for Year 6, with a particular focus on suffixes. We will be continuing to learn the statutory spellings for Years 5 and 6.

**History:** As historians, we will be learning about the **First World War**.

We will be studying the outbreak of war and the impact it had on countries worldwide, as well as the closer impact it had at home here in Chiddingfold and Surrey. We will be looking at what life was like in the trenches. We will also focus on the importance of Remembrance Day (Year 6 will lead the school Remembrance service at the beginning of next half term).

We will take part in a World War One themed day, where we will make our own 'trenches' and do some WW1 cooking.

**Mathematics:** This half term, we will be focusing on the following areas in mathematics:

- **Number and place value**
- **Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.**

We will also be developing our arithmetic and reasoning skills.



### 'In the Trenches' World War 1



**PSHE:** During this half term, we will focus on the topic, **'Being Me in My World'**. We will discuss our targets and hopes for the year ahead, as well as learning about the rights of children worldwide. We will think about how our behaviour affects us and others around us.

**RE:** In R.E, we will be learning about the **Holy Trinity** (how God is seen as One but can also be experienced in three different Persons).

**PE:** On **Tuesdays**, our coach from PSD (Primary Sports Development) will be coaching us in Tag Rugby. On **Thursdays**, we will be coached by Surrey Cricketers.

**French:** This term we will be focusing on learning vocabulary associated with **A L'École (school)** and use this to engage in conversations about activities done at school.

**Computing:** We will start the term with a focus on **E-safety**. We will then be learning about how to use a computer to **design and make a 3D model**.

**Science:** As scientists, we will be exploring the topic of **light**. We will be learning about the sources of light, the creation of shadows, reflection and refraction, as well as how we see colour. We will make periscopes linked to our learning about WW1.

**Art:** As artists, we will be exploring how **2-dimensional drawings can be transformed into 3-dimensional**. We will look at various techniques associated with sculpture and graphic design to help us create our work. We will also produce some WW1 inspired artwork, such as painting in the style of John Nash, as well as creating charcoal sketches of the trenches.

**Music:** Mr Godwin will be taking our music lessons this half term. We will learn about composition and musical notation.

**Our values:**

**Hope**

**Community**

**Respect**

**Wisdom**