

# Pack Up Your Troubles Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3

## Additional Information

Pupils must have their own named water bottle in class.

### PE days

Polo – Thursday and Friday  
MacArthur – Thursday and Friday

However, please ensure your child has their PE kits in school every day. Indoor PE will require shorts. Earrings should be removed and long hair tied back on PE days.

## Homework

Spellings and Maths homework will be set each week. This should be completed and handed in.

Spellings will be set on Tuesday and due in the following Monday.

Maths homework will be set on a Monday and due on the Friday. There will be a paper copy homework every other week and an online task set in the alternate week. Further details will be given about this.

## How you can help

Continue to read frequently with your child. Please sign the reading record to acknowledge when a book has been completed.

Support your child to complete their spelling and Maths homework.

Children will be a take home task related to the topic and a separate letter will be sent about this.

## Dates for your diary

**10<sup>th</sup> October** Hello Yellow Day

**17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October** Parent Consultation Evenings

**1<sup>st</sup> November** Fireworks

**18<sup>th</sup> December** Year 3 and 4 Christmas production.

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Life on the Homefront. In History we will look at why World War II started, the Battle of Britain, rationing, evacuation and propaganda posters. We will learn about life in Bedford during the war.



Through a mark making unit, children will develop their drawing skills and will focus on value using pencils, pens and paint. They will then produce a Remembrance Day themed piece of artwork.

After learning about the Blitz and the blackout, we will learn about light in Science. We will also cover a Science topic on magnets.

We will develop 3D and textile skills through tasks linked to rationing, Make Do and Mend and air raid shelters.

In Geography, we will locate countries involved in World War 2 and develop our atlas skills.

To support reading and writing, we will be using fiction texts set during the Second World War and non-fiction texts for research.

We will develop our Maths skills in number, shape, measures and statistics. Some lessons will be linked to our topic, e.g. scaling up wartime recipes.

**PSCHE** We will be thinking about New Beginnings. **BRITISH VALUE** Each half term we will focus on one British value. This half term we will be learning about democracy.

**FRENCH** We will learn key words and basic French greetings.

**PE** Using a multi skills approach we shall develop and improve our agility, balance and co-ordination

**RE** We will be looking at 'How and why Christians follow Jesus' and how his teachings affect the way Christians live.

**MUSIC** We will be singing songs which were popular during World War 2.

**COMPUTING** We shall be programming an animation as well as using the internet to research our topic.