

Oaks Class (Year 5 and Year 6)

Throughout these next two terms, the children will be studying World War 2 covering topics such as the roles of men and women, digging for victory, rationing and the 'make do and mend' war spirit. We will be exploring what we have learnt from the huge sacrifices made during World War 2 and how we can continue to strive for peace and prosperity in the years to come. The children will discuss possible challenges they may see in their lifetimes such as environmental and social changes. In English lessons, we will be writing diary entries (using Anne Frank as a stimulus), biographies and reports on different events and wars during 1939-1945. We have also been reading Carrie's War by Nina Bawden, which describes an experience as an evacuee.

In Mathematics, we have been studying fractions and percentages, squared and cubed numbers and recapping on lessons on properties of shape along with calculating areas and perimeters. Creativity in lessons will involve designing war posters, making gas masks, identity papers and ration books. There will be plenty of opportunities for role playing using play scripts in the afternoons too!

So, pack up your troubles in your old kit bag and smile, smile, smile over the next 12 weeks!