

Contact details:

The Invictus Class team are:

Mrs Holmes - Class Teacher Monday and Tuesday, learning support Wednesday and Friday

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If you have any questions or concerns please speak to a member of staff at the start or end of the day or contact us via email:

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Equipment Needed

Our Games Afternoon is on Tuesdays and our PE Session is on Wednesdays. Children need to come to school in full PE kit on those days. School-based sessions are outside therefore the children need jogging bottoms and a waterproof coat for when the weather is colder. Your child may also need a hat and sun cream if it is hot.

Some children are attending swimming lessons on Wednesday afternoons, you will be notified if your child is swimming. Children need black swimming costumes or trunks-not board shorts and goggles (if you have them) as well as a £1 contribution towards the cost of the session. School provides the swimming caps. School-based PE sessions are outside therefore the children need jogging bottoms and a waterproof coat for when the weather is colder. Your child may also need a hat and sun cream if it is hot.

In addition, it is required that reading records and reading books are brought into school every day please.



Invictus Class Curriculum Information Spring Term 2023



Key Question: Will we meet again?

This term we are learning about the World War 2, focusing on what it would have been like for a child in WW2. This is a history-based topic.

To launch this topic, the children are building their own air raid shelters in the classroom to experience what it would have been like

Literacy - we are covering a range of genres linked to our topic including: diary and letter writing from air raid shelters and new homes after evacuation; poetry inspired by famous war poets; instructions on how to grow your own ingredients and use them in war time recipes; factual reports explaining aspects of the war.

Maths - we are looking at: multiplication and division, money, time, statistics, measurement and fractions. We are focussing on fluency in these areas as well as improving our reasoning and problem-solving skills. We are taking a times tables test every week as well as working on speedy times tables.

Science - we are learning about the life cycle of plants. The role of the Land Girls and Land Army was crucial to the UK continuing to function. Knowing how to grow and nurture plants was a fundamental part of life and is going to be the focus of our learning in science.

Games Afternoons and PE - we are focussing on net and wall games for the first half of term, improving throwing and catching skills as well as attack and defence techniques. After half term, we are using a range of simple tactics and strategies to help us in striking and fielding games.

Music - Music was so important during World War II; it kept spirits up and gave a sense of camaraderie. We are learning some wartime songs to sing chorally and we are using percussion (made from household items!) to accompany our singing. One of our first songs is Vera Lynn's poignant 'We'll Meet Again.'

Art and Design - we are making air raid mask boxes, designing war propaganda posters, creating silhouette art based on the work of Louisa Puller and Wilf Hardy and drawing WWII aircraft.

Geography - we are learning about the location of countries which became involved in the war. We are using maps to locate countries and geographical features. We are comparing the similarities and differences between cities and countryside as part of our evacuee focus.

RE - we are learning about how different faiths and cultures were treated during the war. We will handle the topic of persecution sensitively and will focus on wartime heroes who risked their lives to end the persecution of others.

Home Learning

Children are expected to read at home for at least 15 minutes every evening after school.

The children should record this in their homework diary. This information counts towards reads for our Reading Karate bands.

We have a monthly spelling investigation in Invictus class where we learn a specific spelling rule for 3 weeks, then have a test on the 4th week. It is beneficial to your child to practise spellings at home. There are activities on Seesaw to support this.

Throughout this term the children are signposted to a range of mathematical apps and websites to practise arithmetic. We also have a weekly times table challenge on a Monday. Children are welcome to take home times table challenge sheets on request. You can also find all of the challenges on Seesaw.

Homework Choiceboard

Optional homework ideas and activities related to this term's learning will be posted on a Choiceboard via Seesaw. This is already up and running along with a choiceboard of activities linked to our assembly themes.

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 4th January - Topic Launch Day

Thursday 9th February - Spring Super Learning Day

Friday 10th February - INSET day

Tuesday 21st February - No Pens Day (internet safety theme)

Thursday 2nd March - Marazion Book Day and Spring Open Afternoon

w/c Monday 13th March - Parents' Meeting

Wednesday 22nd March - Topic Outcome, more details to follow