

As Readers and Writers – Our class text this half term is called Holes by Louis Sachar. Alongside this, we will read extracts from Anne Frank's diary to show just how courageous and frightening World War Two was. The children will be writing a story that builds suspense as they learn scary writing strategies from the Pie Corbett's text 'Kidnapped'. The children will also produce a newspaper report. Our topic lends itself to all kinds of writing opportunities. The children will learn all about propaganda and produce their own persuasive poster, write an inspirational speech (learning from Mr Churchill himself) and the children will even learn the features of diary writing in order to get into character as they travel back to World War Two.

As Mathematicians, we'll develop the childrens' mental arithmetic skills and begin to look at:

- Place value
- Numbers to 10 million
- The four operations

As Historians, we will be plotting significant events from WW2 on a timeline, learn about evacuation, the Blitz, wartime leaders and daily life during this period in history.

As Musicians, we will listen all sorts of sounds from the war, such as air-raid sirens, spitfire bombs and gas mask drills. We will also learn wartime songs as these were essential to lift morale during difficult times.

As Geographers, we'll learn all about the places targeted during the Blitz, the locations of evacuations and look at which countries were involved in this cataclysmic war.