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# BRADDAN SCHOOL YEAR 6 Autumn Term 1 2022

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## 'World War 2'



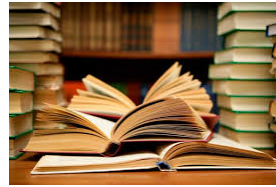
## Meet the Teacher

Meeting: Thursday 19th September 2022

Please ensure you attend this meeting. I appreciate I may have taught your child before, however in this meeting we will discuss key dates and information about your child's final year at primary school. This will include curriculum coverage and expectations as well as important information about transition to secondary school.

## READING

Our aim is to help children love reading!



### How can you help?

Please encourage a love of reading at home. Research has shown that children who enjoy reading and spend more time reading for pleasure have better reading and writing skills, a broader vocabulary, and even an increased general knowledge and understanding of other cultures.

We do monitor how often children are reading at home, so please remember to fill in your child's reading record. This could be as simple as a signature or an initial. **There is a minimum expectation for your child to read at least 4 times per week at home (although every day is best!)** We appreciate this can be difficult due to other commitments, however it is essential for your child's academic progress. If your child is not seen to be engaging with reading at home on a regular basis a letter from the head teacher will be sent home as a reminder.

## LITERACY FOCUS

We will be looking at a range of stories set in historical settings this term. The children will be identifying the details in different texts that depict how differences in time and place are represented. There will be lots of opportunity for character and setting exploration focusing on skills required to create an exciting story plot.

Our class text this term is 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll.

The children will continue to have regular guided reading sessions in small groups, and will continue to develop their handwriting and practice spelling in class.

## MATHS OBJECTIVES

- Revisit and consolidate key year 5 objectives to support year 6 curriculum coverage.
- Continued revision of all times tables and related division facts.
- Develop skills for reasoning and problem solving.
- **Number: Place Value.** Consolidating knowledge of number facts and understand what each digit represents in numbers up to 10 million. Children will build on their understanding of place value from the year 5 curriculum and will use these skills to access increasingly complex problems.
- **Number: Four Operations.** We will consolidate key skills, operations and strategies in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. This will include written and mental strategies to help solve calculations.

**You can help: it is vital that your child has a good grasp of key mathematical skills. This is to ensure they are able to successfully access the curriculum learning.**

- Does your child know all of their times tables and related division facts by heart?
- Does your child know how to tell the time?
- Can you child solve every day maths problems? e.g. change due at a shop, how long until the next bus etc





## Physical Education

We will continue to have PE lessons with the MSR coach each **Monday**. Please make sure that your child has the correct kit in school for their PE lesson. All jewellery should be removed and long hair tied up for PE.

The children will continue to have swimming lessons this half term. It is essential that children have the correct swimming kit with them every **Wednesday morning**. If your child is unable to participate in swimming due to illness etc, please ensure you inform the class teacher. We also have We will have a weekly forest school slot on a **Thursday afternoon**. Please ensure your child has weather appropriate forest school kit in school every Thursday.

## Drinks and snacks

Children need to have a **water bottle** in school to keep hydrated during the day (no juices or fizzy drinks, please) and may bring **fruit/vegetables** to have at morning snack time. Toast is also available at a cost of 20p per day.

For guidance on what are appropriate snacks and drinks in school, please see the healthy eating policy on the school website.



## Science

This half term the children will be further developing their 'working scientifically' skills. We will be planning, setting up and conducting exciting experiments. Our main science focus this term is Electricity. Children will be exploring and building electrical circuits.

## Information Technology

In school we use ICT wherever possible to enhance our learning within the classroom. Our main ICT focus this half term will be becoming confident when using different computer programs, word processing and navigating the internet. We will also continue to develop our understanding on digital safety and what it means to protect ourselves online.

## Topic

Our topic this term is a history related one. We will be looking at a key period of history, studying important aspects and events of 'World War 1 & 2'. The children will engage in historical enquiry asking important questions about how and why the war started as well as What happened to ordinary people and children during the war. We will also be exploring different types of conflict from around the world. **This is a sensitive topic, especially given the current situation in Ukraine. It is a standard 'year 6' topic, which the children are enthusiastic to learn more about. The content of this topic will be conveyed in an age appropriate and sensitive manner.**

## PATHS / P4C / PSHE / JIGSAW / RE

We have regular lessons which encourage children to consider their social, emotional, physical and moral wellbeing, and to raise awareness and tolerance of different beliefs and cultures. Our learning curriculum offers a variety of skills based learning experiences for the children to understand how to become emotionally literate. The children will also be participating in some sessions lead by Isle Listen.



## Home Learning

This year you will find any home learning challenges set on our online learning platform '**its learning**'. I will be setting weekly maths and literacy focused tasks, to help prepare them for high school. Please do encourage your children to engage with their home learning tasks. (Available WC 12/09/2022)

These tasks allow parents/carers to become involved in their child's learning and encourage discussion on the topics being taught in school.

**Reading Eggs** is an excellent online resource to boost reading and spelling skills, and children can also access **TTRockstars** to practice their times tables. There are also lots of additional resources in the 'optional activities' folder on its learning.

How can you help?

**Encourage your child to engage in their home learning and to read regularly at home.**

Please continue to speak positively about learning and school and to continue to reinforce acceptable behaviour in school.

Praise your child's efforts but also welcome mistakes. Mistakes are what help us learn!

To keep up to date with whats going on in school, you will find information on our school website, our Braddan School Facebook page and class relevant information on your child's class 'Its learning' page.

Please talk to us (the end of the school day is usually the best time, if possible) should you have any concerns or comments about your child's learning.

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