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NO
FULL STOP
TO LEARNING**

YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a great half term. It was a pleasure to meet (and in some cases, acquaint myself with) you all at Parents' Evening, and as I mentioned the real work is about to begin!

This term our **topic** is the **The Oval Airman**. We will be looking at how our local area of Stockwell, Kennington and Vauxhall suffered during World War 2, specifically during The Blitz. We will be investigating some local history and learning all about a shocking event that occurred nearby during the very worst of the Blitz.

Our **science** topic is **Electricity**, where we will be looking at how to make and form circuits.

Our **homework project** this half term relates to World War 2. Please see the attached sheet for more ideas. There will also be **weekly spellings** to learn. Spellings will go home on a **Monday** in the back of their reading journals. Use Look, cover, write and check to help your children learn these!

Please make sure your child reads regularly. Ask your child questions to check their understanding of what they have read, see if they can make predictions about the story and understand character motives and feelings. This is especially important in Year 6, as the children will be tested on this knowledge in their SATs exams; we will be reading in class in guided reading groups during the week, and completing a reading comprehension once a week.

PE is on **Mondays**- please ensure your child has a fully **labelled** PE kit and brings it to school on these days as this is an invaluable lesson. We will also be **running the Daily Mile every day at 12:15pm** for 15 minutes before lunch. Given that this is a stressful year we feel it will be very therapeutic for the children!

Dates for the diary:

Bonfire Night - Thursday 7th November

Year 6 Assembly - Monday 11th November @ 10:45am

Trip to Imperial War Museum - Wednesday 11th December

POLLING DAY- SCHOOL CLOSED - Thursday 12th December

Christmas show - Wednesday 18th December

Last day of term / own clothes day - Thursday 19th December

If you have any queries or worries please feel free to see me after school.

Kind regards,

Chris Marley, Kate Hartill, Natasha Harriott and Jo Ouazene

Possible homework ideas:

Literacy	<p>Write a diary based on a child's evacuation experience</p> <p>Create a persuasive poster urging people to use the Kennington Park Shelter</p> <p>Record a speech in the style of Winston Churchill to react to the bombing</p> <p>http://www.winstonchurchill.org/resources/speeches</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/ww2peopleswar/stories/32/a2714032.shtml</p> <p>http://www.iwm.org.uk/history/london-in-the-second-world-war</p> <p>http://www.iwm.org.uk/history/the-blitz</p>
Maths	<p>Recipes for wartime meals and foods (ratio + proportion)</p> <p>http://recipespastandpresent.org.uk/wartime.php</p> <p>Create a wartime "weekly shopping" basket (decimal addition/ imperial and metric measures)</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/world_war2/food_and_shopping/</p> <p>Create a ration diary for a family during the war (decimal multiplication)</p> <p>http://www.recipespastandpresent.org.uk/wartime/?page_id=75</p> <p>Design a back-yard Anderson shelter (area and volume) from the fantastic NORTHERN IRISH www.secondworldwarni.org site.</p> <p>http://www.secondworldwarni.org/primaryschools/docs/Unit%203%20Activity%20Pack.pdf</p>
Science	<p>Experiment: live on WW2 rations for a week.</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/topics/rationing_in_ww2</p>
Art	<p>Henry Moore WW2 art:</p> <p>http://www.tate.org.uk/art/artworks/moore-grey-tube-shelter-n05706</p> <p>Design a propaganda poster urging people to use public shelters</p> <p>http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/research/online-exhibitions/history-of-the-battle-of-britain/air-raid-shelter-protection.aspx</p>
D.T	<p>Build your own Anderson Shelter</p> <p>http://www.secondworldwarni.org/primaryschools/docs/Unit%203%20Activity%20Pack.pdf</p> <p>Assemble an evacuee suitcase</p>
Comp.	<p>Create a wireless radio programme</p> <p>Create a Churchill speech using an animated Churchill!</p> <p>http://www.reallusion.com/crazytalk/default.html</p> <p>Create a Scratch game</p> <p>https://scratch.mit.edu/</p> <p>(e.g. scape your house after a bombing raid)</p> <p>https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/16215228</p>