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Half Termly News Year 6

Year group 6	Term - Autumn 1	School Value - Empathy
Year 6 News	Reminders	School Diary
We would like to welcome you to Year 6. We are excited for a fun filled year with lots of different learning opportunities taking place! Clubs for Year 6: Multisports Netball Art Drama Puzzle Club Homework Club Eco Club Fun Club (invitation only) Football Press Gang Young Carers Mad Science iRock	Reading books and diaries checked daily for certificates to be given out. Please read 5 times a week. Homework to be completed and handed in by Thursday PE kit (white tshirt, black shorts and trainers/plimsolls) is needed on Wednesdays and Thursdays	4/9/25 - children are back 8-12/9/25 - Author week 8/9/25 - Clubs start 26/9/25 - MacMillion Coffee 29/9/25 - Photographs 2/10/25 - National Poetry Day 7/10/25 - Harvest Assembly 10/10/25 - Global Friday 17/10/25 - Flu vaccinations 17/10/25 - School Disco 21-22/10/25 - Parent Consultations 23/10/25 - Non uniform day 24/10/25 - INSET day
Trips and events	Rewards used	Homework and projects
15-19/9/25 - Year 5/6 Bike Ability	House points Headteacher awards Stickers Star of the Week award Attendance awards Reader of the week	Challenge task (Choose one)- Research & Write Create a fact file on a famous leader (e.g., Winston Churchill, Adolf Hitler, Anne Frank).

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	Create & Design Make a poster encouraging people to "Dig for Victory" or "Join the Home Guard". Model & Build Make a model of a wartime city (before and after the Blitz). Family/Community Link Interview a relative about what they know of WWII. Bring in photos or family stories (with permission).	
Subject	Key Learning and vocabulary	
Reading Writing	Daily whole class reading lessons on a variety of different texts - fiction and non-fiction. VIPERS- Vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarise. Week 1- Writing to Explain-Formal- Author writing-	
·	Biography. Week 2-3 Writing to Recount- Diary Entry Week 4-5. Writing to Inform-Formal- Newspaper Article Week 6-7- Writing to Describe- Poetry	
Maths	Place Value numbers to 1 000 000 and beyond Multiply and Divide by 10, 100 and 1,000 Choosing Effective Mental Calculation Strategies Problem Solving with Four Operations	
Science	Living Things and their Habitats Scientist: Jane Goodall	
Computing	Graphing Florence Nightingale - Statistician and data visualisation pioneer	

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Geography	Trade and Economics	
	Fieldwork -	
	OFFSITE Pin Green Industry Walk	
History	World War II	
Art	Activism	
	Focus: Collaging, Drawing	
DT	Structures - Anderson shelters	
French	Chez Moi	
	(My home)	
PE	Football & Tag Rugby	
Music	Music and Technology - composing using online tools	
RE	Buddhism	
	Do we need lots of things to lead a good life?	
PSHE	Keeping/staying safe	
	Water safety	
	Summative assessment	
	A world without judgement	
	British values	
	Summative assessment	
Enrichment tasks	World War II	
	Voices from the Past - Listen to a real WWII speech (e.g., Churchill's "We shall fight on the beaches") and write a short speech of your own	
	to inspire people during a difficult time.	
	Artefact Investigator - Research one WWII object (e.g., a Spitfire, gas mask, ration book, propaganda poster). Draw it and explain its importance.	
	What If? - Write an alternative history short story: What if Britain	
	had not won the Battle of Britain? Trade and Economics	



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	Mini Entrepreneur - Plan a small "business idea" (e.g., a snack stall, ecobag company). Draw out your product, decide a price, and explain how you would make a profit. Then & Now - Compare trade today with WWII rationing. How did shortages and rationing affect what people could buy? Activism in Art Poster with Purpose - Create an art poster about a cause you care about (e.g., saving animals, reducing plastic, peace). Use bold colours and clear messages like WWII propaganda posters. Music as Protest - Find a song (age-appropriate) that has been used to protest or raise awareness of an issue. Write a short paragraph about what message it sends. Art Detective - Choose one famous activist artist (e.g., Banksy, Picasso, Barbara Kruger, Keith Haring). Research one piece of their work and explain what message they are sharing.
Other Messages	Let's celebrate success together: If your child has completed an outside activity recently such as (but not limited to) receiving a certificate in swimming, gymnastic, dance or football please email Theleyshavetalent@leys.herts.sch.uk with a small summary of achievement and an image.

Link to the long term plans - https://www.leys.herts.sch.uk/ki-classes-leys.html