### Our PE this Half Term

We are excited to start skateboarding this term. This will be on a Friday afternoon so your child needs to have their PE kits in school.

We will continue to have PE with Mrs Moseley and Mr Nash on Tuesday afternoons as well. Please ensure PE kits are in school everyday.

#### **SATs Information**

<u>The Government Assessment Tests will take place on the</u> week beginning 11th May 2020

<u>Monday 11th May 2020</u> - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. <u>Tuesday 12th May 2020</u> - Reading. <u>Wednesday 13th May 2020</u> - Maths Arithmetic and Maths Reasoning 2. <u>Thursday 14th May 2020</u> - Maths Reasoning 3.

#### How can you help at home?

**<u>Reading</u>** - expectations are to read at home three times a week and record it in their reading record which is collected in every Friday.

<u>Maths</u> - this term children have personalised homework with key questions that they need to practise and master.

**<u>Theme</u>** - any extra research at home about WWII, especially local history, would be useful.

### **Dates for your Diary**

Tuesday 11th February 2020 - Internet Safety Day.Monday 10th February 2020 - York Art DayMonday 24th February 2020 - Durham Art DayMonday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2020 - HALF TERM.Mon 2nd/ wed 4th March 2020 - Parents' Evenings.Thursday 5th March 2020 - World Book Day - All children to dress as a bee!!

Week beginning 11th May - Government Assessment Week (SATs)



# Nine Acres Primary School Spring Term 1

## Year 6 Team









### Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term we will be continuing our World War II theme alongside the text 'Goodnight Mister Tom' which we are really enjoying reading. We will be looking at the way of life here on the Isle of Wight and how people were affected during the war. If you have any family history or local information, it would be lovely if your child could share this with the year group. We look forward to supporting your child further in the after school challenge sessions that are starting this term.

With thanks, Year 6 Team.

# Parent Information Leaflet



'Striving for Excellence'

# Year 6 - Spring Term 1 2020—World War 2!!

### Important facts to know by the end of this topic:

World War 2 was a battle between two groups of countries – the 'Allies' and the 'Axis'. The major Allied powers were Britain, France, Russia, China and the United States. The major Axis powers were Germany, Italy and Japan.

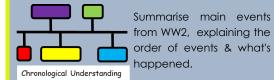
Adolf Hitler, together with the Nazi Party, wanted Germany to rule Europe. To gain more land and power, on 1 September 1939 German troops invaded Poland. After Hitler refused to stop the invasion, Britain and France declared war on Germany – World War II had begun.

During the course of the war, German forces advanced through Europe. By the summer of 1941 they had invaded France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Greece, Yugoslavia and the USSR.

The US didn't join the war until 1941, when Japan attacked the United States at their Naval Base at Pearl Harbour in Hawaii. On 8 December 1941 (the very next day), the US declared War on Japan and, in turn, its German allies.

Some countries remained 'neutral' in World War 2. Such countries were Spain, Sweden and Switzerland – who chose not to join either side.

# <u>Key Skills</u>



Use a range of primary and secondary sources to gather historical knowledge about the Blitz.



Discuss the difference between primary and secondary historical resources.



Describe the evacuation and the way of life, including rations, from WWII.

### Key Vocabulary

**Axis** - Countries which fought on the German side including Italy, Germany and Japan.

**Allies -** Countries which fought on the British side (including: USA, Great Britain, France and Russia.

**Nazi** - Member of the German political group which came to power in 1933.

**Evacuation -** Organised movement of children and the vulnerable from towns and cities to safe zones.

**Evacuee** - Someone who was evacuated, moved from a danger area to a safer place.

Blitz - A series of bombing raids on the UK.

**Propaganda** - Controlling news media (such as radio) to depict the war effort .

Luftwaffe - The German Airforce.

**RAF** - The Royal Airforce (British).

### Our English this half term!

Continuing on with our World War 2 focus text 'Goodnight Mr Tom' we will be applying our developing writing skills to produce more complex War themed outcomes. Looking at the life of a soldier and producing a narrative which involves flashbacks will help our emotive device and tense skills develop and we will also switch back to our formal voice when developing biographies about Winston Churchill.

### The key skills we will be looking at are:

- 1) Proof reading to edit our work effectively
- 2) Active and Passive voice
- 3) Higher level use of paragraphing for dramatic effect

## Our Maths this half term!

- Solve problems involving the calculation and conversion of units for length, mass and volume.
- Calculate the area of parallelograms and triangles.
- Calculate, estimate and compare volumes of cubes and cuboids.
- Describe positions on the full coordinate grid (four quadrants).
  - Draw and translate simple shapes on the coordinate plane, and reflect them in the axis.

