



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter June 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back!

This half term our topic is "Keep Calm and Carry On", where we will be focusing on the history and geography of WW2 .

Our learning will include:



History

We will learn when and why World War II began and find

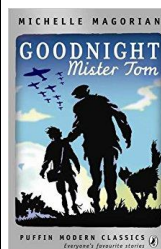
out about the key individuals and countries involved. In addition to this, we will discover all about evacuation; learn what it was like to live with food rationing and explore the contribution made by women to the war effort.



Geography

In Geography

we will focus on human and physical geography of European (including Russia) countries. We will investigate why was World War II called a 'World' war? On a world map we will locate countries and distinguish between Allied and Axis powers.



Literacy

Our class book this half term is Goonight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian. We

will continue to use our class books as inspiration to develop our literacy skills across a range of genres and grammar objectives.



Art

In Science, we will be

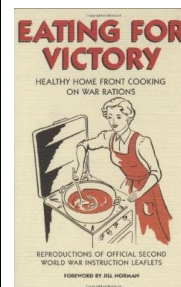
investigating different materials, their uses and their properties, as well as dissolving, separating mixtures and irreversible changes. We will sort and classify objects according to their properties and explore the properties of materials to find the most suitable material for different purposes.



PE

In PE, this half terms focus will be gymnastics,

where we are very fortunate to have the expertise of a gymnastics coach. Our outdoor games will be rounders and cricket.



DT

In DT, we will look at ration amounts available in WW2. We will then research

recipes that we could make using these ingredients. We will create a menu to feed a family during WW2 and create one of the dishes from our menu.

PE This half-term gymnastics will be on a Monday and rounders/cricket will be on a Wednesday. Could children have both indoor and outdoor kit in school for both sessions, so we are prepared for any weather conditions. Please can sports kits be in school Monday to Friday so that children are prepared for any other sport activities that might take place.



Reading with your children

At Deighton Gates we champion reading for its enjoyment and its impact on children's achievement. Research also continues to reaffirm the positive influence of reading *at home* and the impact this has on children's educational outcomes, when continued into the teenage years. Thus it is vital that reading at home with older children continues throughout KS2 and as such we will be continuing our 'Reading Superstars' scheme.

Dates for your diaries:	
Adventure Photography - class photos	Monday 5th June
Come as you Please Day	Friday 16th June
Summer Fair	Saturday 17th June
London Residential	Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th July
Sports day	Friday 14th July
Year 5 WW2 day - parents welcome to join us for a WW2 tea party from 2pm.	Wednesday 19th July
School closes for Summer break at 2pm.	Friday 21st July

Please do not hesitate to get in touch for any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Ridge & Mrs Owen