

Year 6 Spring 1: Your Country Needs You!

Curriculum connections

6 English

Writing

Write a news report inspired by an article from the time of the Blitz, selecting language, form, format and content.

Write a diary entry from a different perspective based on 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne.

Write a letter from the perspective of an evacuee detailing their journey and feelings; with a focus on empathy.

Write a character description focusing on developing figurative language and author's voice.

Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of handwriting.

Learn age appropriate spelling rules and exceptions.

Reading

Explore the text 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne, drawing inferences e.g. characters' feelings, thoughts and motives.

Content domain skills taught through a range of text types and authors.



6 Maths

Solve ratio and proportion problems.

Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found.

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Solve problems involving unequal sharing and grouping using knowledge of fractions and multiples.

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Solve one-step and two-step function machines and equations, using substitution to find values in simple expressions.

Use simple formulae and express missing number problems algebraically.

Calculate the area of parallelograms and triangles.

Recognise that shapes with the same areas can have different perimeters.

Use formulae for area and volume of shapes.

Calculate, estimate and compare the volume of cubes and cuboids using standard units.

Convert between fractions, decimals and percentages, recall their equivalence and find missing values from percentages.

6 History

Your country needs you (WW2 1939-1945)

Use sources to deduce information.

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Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at.

Show an awareness of propaganda and social context.

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Understand that no single source of evidence gives the full answer.

Use appropriate historical vocabulary to communicate, including: dates, time period, era, chronology, continuity, change, century, decade, legacy.

Give an overview of life in Britain and major events from the rest of the world.

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D&T

Combining different fabric shapes

Design and make home-made cushions in the spirit of 'Make, do and mend'.

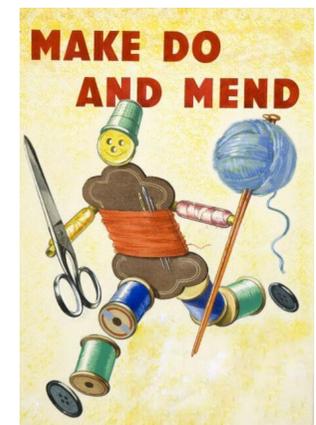
Research key events and individuals in D&T.

Investigate and evaluate existing cushions and their patterns and joins.

Investigate different sewing techniques and stitches.

Make, evaluate and improve designs.

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6 Science

Electricity

Use a switch in a simple circuit, show it in a diagram and describe how it works.

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Explore different switches and how they affect circuits.

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Demonstrate the effects of changing the current flowing through components in a circuit.

Demonstrate and apply learning of circuits in order to build a burglar alarm.

Plan and design investigations and experiments to make observations and test predictions.

Represent findings in a scientific way using appropriate scientific vocabulary.

6 Religious & World View Education

Is it better to express your beliefs in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?

Understand different reasons why some buildings are sacred.

Consider, discuss and weigh up different views about why mosques are important. Consider, discuss and weigh up different views about why Christian sacred buildings are important.

Suggest reasons, quoting religious sources, why Muslims consider charity and generosity important.

Explain similarities and differences between different sacred buildings, including mosques and churches.

6 Computing

Exploring AI

Explain what AI is and its basic functions. Identify real-life applications of AI that are commonly used in everyday life.

Identify how AI understands and processes text and image prompts.

Generate and refine prompts to achieve the best possible response from AI.

Identify how AI generates code and how it can be useful in web design.

Identify how AI can be a useful starting point for a project.

Online safety: Understand the positive and negative effects of the internet and explore different ways to overcome negative feelings which can occur as a result of being online.

6 PE

Table tennis

Hand to eye coordinations, reflexes, accuracy, forehand, backhand, serving.

Handball

Consolidate understanding of handball, applying effective attacking and defending skills.

Apply tactics and decision making.

6 Music

Benjamin Britten - A new Year Carol

Explore Benjamin Britten's "A New Year Carol," and deepen their understanding of Western classical vocal music structure, harmony, and arrangement; simultaneously.

Research and appraise the composer's life and other works.

6 PSHE

Dreams and goals

Set personal learning goals, both in and out of school.

Develop a success criteria to meet personal goals.

Show motivation.

Identify problems in the world that concern me and explain how they make me feel.

Make a difference in the world.

Recognise achievements and give compliments.

Character trait: Optimism

6 Spanish

Household tasks

Designing robots to complete household tasks and promoting them using persuasive language, planning and giving a short oral presentation.

Modifying, expressing and comparing opinions. Using existing knowledge of vocabulary and phrases to create new sentences.

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