



Rye Community Primary School

"A Gateway to learning"



Dear Parent Marlin

Thank you for all your support with the learning last term. The land yachts arrived in a variety of shapes and sizes and we are still waiting for another windy day so that we can test them in the playground! Now for the learning for next term...

Term 2 Learning in Marlin

'World War 1' Fallen Fields

As this year is the 100 year anniversary of the end of World War 1, we are taking the opportunity to learn more about such an important event in our history. Attached is an information sheet detailing some of the learning opportunities that we will be undertaking over the next seven weeks. We will be starting our learning by visiting the Rye memorial at St Mary's church and leaving our own tributes to the soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice.

English

The focus this term will be on **diary and letter writing** inspired by the book '**War Game**' by **Michael Foreman**. The children will take inspiration from the story to act in role and write in character.

How you can help your child

- Make sure your child reads daily and discuss the stories in terms of your child's personal reading targets. Don't forget to record reading sessions in the new 'Reading Record' booklets.
- With the topic in mind, please find out and discuss as much information about World War 1 as possible.
- Discuss meanings of any new vocabulary they come across.
- Practise the spellings that are sent home weekly.



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Mathematics

In Maths last term we really improved our number skills. We are now going to be using our number skills to solve calculation problems before moving on to learning about polygons, angles and the properties of rectangles.

How you can help your child

- Look for opportunities to talk about maths in the everyday environment.
- Support your child and give them time to use mental calculations skills in real life contexts.
- Help your child to learn his/her multiplication facts to become a Number Muncher.

PE

PE this term will be taught on **Mondays and Fridays**. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit for the whole week.

Termly Homework Project

Choose from the following options:

- A parcel for a soldier. Cover a shoe box in brown paper and fill it with special items that will make life in the trenches more comfortable for a World War 1 soldier.
- Watch footage of the annual Remembrance Day service held at the Cenotaph in London. Describe how it makes you feel. Write a prayer or reflective poem that could be said at the service.
- Find out about the Women's Land Army. Who were they and what did they do? Make a fact file to record the information you find.
- Design a war memorial and make it in 3D. Consider where you would place it in your local area.

Marlin would like to take this opportunity to invite you to share in this term's learning on **Thursday 6th December** at **2pm** in the school hall. Year 5 and 6 will be making various presentations that commemorate the ending of World War 1 and the soldiers that made the ultimate sacrifice.

If you have any queries do not hesitate to contact me.

Mr MacNicol