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Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below details of the work that your child's class will be doing during this term. We have also suggested ways in which you can help your child at home. Included with this information you will also find an overview of how we deal with behavioural issues in school.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Sneade, Mrs Byrom & Mrs. Huxtable

**Class:** Year 5

**Term:** Autumn

**Theme:** Beacons of Hope

Main areas of study:	<p>During the Autumn term, our topic is Beacons of Hope, which focuses on the Second World War.</p> <p>In <b>Languages, Literacy, and Communication</b>, the pupils will create a persuasive propaganda poster, write evacuee letters, and create a story based on the war. Our class novel will be 'Letters to the Lighthouse'. We will also develop our spelling and grammar and the children will complete a spelling test every Friday.</p> <p>In <b>Maths &amp; Numeracy</b>, the pupils will learn about place value, the four operations (addition, subtraction, division, and multiplication) and Rationing. The pupils will work on budgeting and selling handmade poppies for Remembrance Day.</p> <p>In <b>Humanities</b>, the pupils will learn about the countries involved within WW2, whilst we will also be looking closely at our local area and the Swansea Blitz. We will be particularly focusing on map work and timelines of events. We will also be looking into Judaism, Christianity and a variety of Religious Festivals.</p> <p>In <b>Science and Technology</b>, the pupils will learn about light, sound, and energy. The pupils will investigate shadows and how light and distance affects them. For our Design Technology project, pupils will design and create working lighthouses. Pupils will also create and sort databases, create spreadsheets using formulae and use Minecraft for Education to build</p>
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	<p>Anderson Shelters.</p> <p>In <b>Expressive Arts</b>, the pupils will complete various pieces of art, participate in drama activities, and will undertake lessons based on digital film and media.</p> <p>In <b>Health &amp; Well-being</b>, the pupils will be developing their empathy skills throughout a range of topic-based lessons and book related activities. The pupils will be taking part in gymnastics and 1940's dance. We are then hoping to perform a wartime dance during our end of term VE Day celebrations. The pupils will learn about internet safety and the importance of staying safe online.</p>
Ways in which you can help at home:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Please listen to your child reading at home every night (a Reading Diary is provided for you to make comments).</li> <li>▪ Visit the local library to choose books relevant to topics being studied at school.</li> <li>▪ Please make sure that your child logs in to TT Rockstars and that they practise their times tables.</li> <li>▪ Support your child in practising their spellings and tables for their tests every Friday</li> </ul>
Ways you can help us?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Do you have any expertise in this area and would like to share it with us?</li> <li>▪ Do you have any artefacts or interesting objects we could use?</li> </ul>

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