




## Y4 – Owls’ Newsletter

### Spring Term



Happy New Year! Term 1 flew by and I can't believe we are already into our Spring Term. Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Hiley



**Our topic this Half Term is: “Conflict and Resolution”**



### **In this topic we will be learning...**

- In our history lessons we will be studying WW1, WW2 and other major conflicts from the past.
- As well as learning words and phrases from the language, in our French lessons we will be looking at France's involvement in the world wars.
- In Music, we will be learning and performing a range of war songs as well as looking closely at the meanings of their lyrics.
- We will be creating a range of artwork linked to ww1 and ww2 including mastering our sketching techniques. We will have opportunities to use a selection of tools including oil pastels, charcoal, paint and sketching pencils.
- In PSHE, we will be discussing conflicts we experience in our everyday lives and how we can resolve these.

### **Project opportunities:**

- Design and make a propaganda poster.
- Take a trip to Alrewas and explore, discover and remember the fallen soldiers at the National Memorial Arboretum.
  - Write a letter as if you were an evacuee or a soldier in WW1 or WW2

*These are activities that you may choose to complete at home over the course of this half term. They are not compulsory.*

**Homework, Times Tables and Spellings**

Homework will be sent out each Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday. Alternate English and maths homework will be set according to the children's needs. Weekly homework is to be completed by all and a DOJO point will be lost if homework is not completed without a note from a parent. Homework tasks over holiday periods are to be completed at children's leisure and are not compulsory.

By the end of Year 4, children are expected to know the full range of times tables. As well as practising these regularly in school, children should be regularly reciting their times tables at home. This need not be strenuous, and can be as quick as recalling them in the car on the way to school each morning!

Spellings will be sent out each Friday. Children should be practising these in order to use them correctly in their writing. This year, spellings will be marked through the children's work rather than during a test.

### Reminders

- Owls' book change is every Tuesday. Please make sure you sign your child's reading diary in order for their book to be changed. If you wish to keep the book for another week, please note this in their diary.
- P.E is on a Monday so please send children in with their full P.E kit and take into consideration any jewellery that is worn on this day.

### Key Dates for Y4 this Spring Term.

#### February

5<sup>th</sup> – Safer Internet day.

12<sup>th</sup> – Open Afternoon (2.00 – 3.30)

14<sup>th</sup> – Wear red for Valentine's day

15<sup>th</sup> – Break up for half term.

26<sup>th</sup> – Back to school and Ingestre Hall

