

# Milverton Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all so much for the wonderful gifts I received for Christmas; I hope you all had a restful break. Welcome back to school and the start of a new term. This term's quest is entitled 'Whizz, pop, bang!' and will have a science and design and technology focus. Miss Gauntlett and I have planned a variety of learning experiences that are detailed on the attached quest coverage leaflet. Much of the curriculum will be covered through our more specific study of World War 2 and the Battle of Britain. We will be exploring what it was like to be a child in this era and how initial feelings of excitement gave way to the reality of a war-torn Britain.

As our 'quest entry' we have Somerset Heritage Learning coming in, on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January, to share some historical artefacts from wartime Somerset and to share their knowledge and expertise on the subject.

This term I will be asking the children to produce a creative homework related to the war and details of this will be shared as we undertake our study of the Battle of Britain.

Along with this homework project the children of Class 6 will be asked to complete the following on a weekly basis:

- **Spellings:** The children will have spellings set on a Monday which will be due in that week on the Friday. Children will also be tested on their spellings on Fridays. The children have already been given a statutory word list and will continue to be tested on this on a half termly basis.
- **Maths:** This will be set on Tuesdays and will be due in the following Tuesday.
- **Times tables:** Children will be expected to continue to practise their times tables at home for a weekly test on Tuesday mornings.
- **Reading:** The children are also expected to continue their fantastic reading efforts by reading at least 4 times a week to an adult. Reading record folders are checked on Monday mornings but need to be in school every day please.
- **KIRFs** (Key Instant Recall Facts) will be given out at the beginning, and tested at the end, of each half term. These can be found on our class page.

PE this term will be on a Monday morning and a Friday afternoon so please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on these days.

If any of you have any interests or expertise in the quest this term and would like to support the learning in some way, or if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me here at school.

Many thanks for your on-going support.

Best wishes

Stephen Penny

