



# WINHILLS

## Year 5 and Year 6

### Fortnightly Newsletter

#### Year 5

Year 5 have enjoyed reading Goodnight Mister Tom and following the main characters and their personal journeys. Over the past few weeks, the children have written newspaper reports about the declaration of war and instructions on how to build an Anderson shelter. The children are becoming more confident to include parenthesis and imperative verbs.

In Maths, we have been identifying the relationships between fractions, decimals and percentages. The children have completed a range of challenges including puzzles and real life problems. They have also been working hard to gain their multiplication awards.

In science we have started to learn about Living Things. The children have reflected on previous learning and researched into their favourite animal.

#### Year 6

Year 6 have worked extremely hard over the first half term of 2018. In Maths, the children have looked at fractions, decimals and percentages, including equivalences, calculating and problem solving, and have now begun to look at algebra.

In English, we have been following our class novel, Goodnight Mister Tom, and have been covering a range of writing genres, including newspaper reports, information texts and recounts. The children have been looking at lots of different SPAG features and have been applying these to their writing.

In Science, the lessons with Mrs Willison have been covering the new topic of Light, which has included investigations into how light travels, and how reflection and refraction can alter light.

### Foundation Subjects

Year 5 have enjoyed their first few sessions with the play leaders from Ernulf. They have played netball, basketball and football. In our topic lessons, we have researched key information about how WW2 started and why Anderson shelters were needed.

Year 6 have been fantastic in their Zumba sessions this term with Miss Bull, and have learnt how to dance the salsa. The children had a fantastic time at Young Voices, where they sang and danced with 7000 other children, and represented Winhills superbly. Well done everyone!

### Reminders

Please can we ensure all children have the correct PE kit (white t-shirt, black shorts, outdoor trainers, indoor shoes, long sleeve jumper and joggers) in school each day and that children have a water bottle. With the ever changing weather conditions, please can you ensure your child brings a coat to school daily. Please ensure your children does not have earrings in for PE sessions.

**Homework:** a reminder that English homework over half term is the 500 word challenge (see homework sheet for additional information). Additionally, the children will need to complete an hour of Maths Whizz over half term (in addition to the hour for the week commencing 5th February).

**Nurture**

**Inspire**

**Flourish**