

Evaluation of Autumn Topics 2014

Year 6:

History Focus:

World War I

From the different perspectives

Science Focus:

Light – how were periscopes used in submarines?

Circuits

Topic overview:

Why was World War I fought and who was involved? What was it like to be German soldier? Who were the ‘Conscientious Objectors’? What was so special about a football match on Christmas Day? Year 6 have developed their historical enquiry and interpretational skills to find out that historians can have different points of view! Year 5 and

Year 6 shared all their work at the World War I open afternoon in December.

As part of our MFL work we learnt 'Silent Night' in German which we sang at the Christmas Concert.

Our visit to Staffordshire War Museum



On a fantastic trip to Staffordshire War Museum we had the opportunity to try on different items of clothing from the war. We were lucky enough to visit a replica of a World War One trench to experience what it would be like to spend time in the trenches first hand. We also had the opportunity to handle artefacts and read thought provoking extracts from diaries.

Our World War 1 afternoon.



We showcased our learning and work over the term in our World War One afternoon. The afternoon began with a short dramatic performance of the events of the Christmas Truce. Shortly afterwards, Year 5 and Year 6 pupils organised and played a football tournament in remembrance of those who fought in the war. The children also decided to teach parents and younger children about some of the skills they had acquired over the term. This included drawing charcoal portraits, creating persuasive posters and writing powerful poetry.

The pupils were very engaged in the topic from the outset and really enjoyed sharing their learning with others.

“It was an enjoyable day at the museum and I learnt a lot of interesting facts.” (Eliana)

“I enjoyed learning about life in the trenches. The best bit was the WWI day because we got to show off our work to other classes.” (Daisy Evans)

Sikhism Day

Year 6 were welcomed into our very own Gurdwara on our Sikhism day. We followed all the rules and traditions of the Sikhs in a place of worship and even tried our hand at meditation. The day ended with a meal which the pupils made and served themselves. This was an opportunity for pupils to engage with the morals behind Sikhism and compare them to Catholicism.

