



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another half term in Apple Tree Class!

Over the next six weeks our class will be studying different subjects which will be linked with the theme 'The Great War'. In this way we believe that the children will gain greater understanding of the world around us and why learning is important to us all. This style of learning helps children become responsible and independent learners.

If children understand why they need to learn something and see its relevance to their own lives, not only will they actively enjoy their learning, they will achieve higher standards in their work.

Each theme is based around the specific National Curriculum (NC) standards that are needed to be mastered by our children. During this six-week theme of The Great War we will be covering the NC skills in Literacy, Maths, Science, History, Geography, Art and Design and Design and Technology. Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

Literacy	Non-chronological report (fact file), Letters and shape poetry.
Maths	Addition and subtraction including money and place value to 50 and multiplication.
Science	Working scientifically to understand Animals and their habitats.
History/Geography	What's in your world – Who do you think you are?
Art and Design	Sketching and shading poppies.
DT	Creating a poppy wreath.

P.E will be Monday afternoon, every other week commencing from 02/11/20 with Prestige Sport. We will also have another session on a Thursday afternoon with Mrs Dearden. Please send your child to school in full P.E kit; hair tied back and earrings removed.

Forest school will continue on the 09/11/20 every other week for two more sessions. Please ensure your child has weather appropriate clothes and footwear.

Every child will experience a variety of different ways of learning including reading, writing, mathematics, problem solving, illustrating, working independently and working collaboratively and their progress towards the NC standards will be continually assessed again in a variety of ways.

I know that as parents you are keen to support your child in their learning, including homework set, and will encourage them to share the knowledge learnt within The Great War theme.

If anyone has anything they think might be of interest to our topic or experience and knowledge they wish to share please let me know as soon as possible as the more information and support that your child has, the more successful their learning will be.

I would like to thank you all for your support with your children's learning – it really does make a difference. If anyone has any questions as to how to help their child please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely

Mrs F Parsons – Class Teacher