



YEAR 2 - AUTUMN 2 2019

CLASS NEWSLETTER

Welcome back. We hope you had a happy and restful break. The children have had a fantastic first week back at school.

We are very excited to have started our new topic on....

London

We will teach about the location of London and its importance as the capital city of England. We will look at some of its famous landmarks, transportation systems and homes. We will also learn about events from the past such as the Great Fire of London and observe the similarities and differences between old and new London.

Literacy - Writing

In Literacy, our main focus will be using punctuation, including the use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks. The children will be taught to apply their punctuation through a range of writing activities including, newspaper articles, diary entries, poetry and stories.

Literacy - Reading

The children will continue to work on Reading Comprehension activities and will practice answering questions about the texts they read.

Thank you for your amazing support during our autumn 1 Reading Challenge, every single family engaged. We will hold another Challenge towards the end of this half term, but please do continue to read a little each day as it really does make a difference to children's progress.

Class Library Day = Wednesday

In Phonics the children will work on spelling patterns to support their Reading and Writing.



Numeracy

We will continue to work daily on Addition and Subtraction and then move onto Measurement; focusing on Money for the last few weeks before Christmas.

The children will also practice their 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables weekly as well as touch on division within Maths this half term.

Science - Uses of Everyday Materials

The children will be learning about different materials and investigating the properties of them. They will carry out investigations and analyse their findings.

History & Geography - The Great Fire of London

We will learn about the events of the Great Fire of London. As part of our study we will look at the chronology of events, including why the fire spread so quickly. We will also investigate how we can use sources of information to learn about the past.

In Geography we will learn that London is one of the UK'S capital cities. We will learn about all four cities in the UK.

PE

Our class PE days will continue to be Mondays and Tuesdays and this half term our coaches will be teaching a variety of skills including Dance. Earrings must please be removed on these days.

Art/ DT

The children will enjoy a range of seasonal crafting activities including; Bonfire Night art and Remembrance Day art. They will design Christmas cards, calendars, gifts and have already entered the Mayor's Christmas Card Competition.



British Values - SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural)

We will be learning about Bonfire Traditions and Remembrance Day where we will visit the Cenotaph and hold our own silence in respect for Remembrance Day. The children will learn about World War Two, Children in Need's charity, Christingle, Christmas and we will be going to sing to the elderly.

Computing

The children will work on a range of skills using the Purple Mash computing programme, please use your child's login details to access this programme at home.

Parents Meetings

Parents Meetings will be held on the week commencing Monday 18th November. Please see me to sign up for an individual progress and target meeting.

Homework

Red Homework books - Given each Friday to be returned on Monday.

Spellings - Sent out on Mondays to be learned by Friday.

Reading Books - Please read a little each night.

I hope that you find this information helpful so that you are able to continue to extend your child's learning at home. Remember to follow our whole school newsletter for dates and events and also check the class board daily. If you have any further questions please come and see me; my door is always open. ☺

Many Thanks

Mrs. C Regan