

What's happening in Year Two?



During this half term we will be exploring the theme
'The Great Fire of London'



English

We will explore the story 'Vlad and the Great Fire of London'. The children will write a diary entry from Vlad's point of view, before moving on to create a newspaper report about the events of the disastrous fire.



Are all failures bad?

Reading

The children will continue to bring home Little Wandle books matched to their phonic level, alongside a library book of their choice to enjoy for pleasure.

During whole class reading sessions, we will be reading *The Baker's Boy*, a story set during the Great Fire of London.



Science

This half term, the children will be learning about materials. We will learn to identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials and find out how the shapes of solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin exploring multiplication and division. The children will learn to represent equal groups, use repeated addition, and understand arrays. They will develop reasoning skills to spot patterns and explain how multiplication and division are connected.

Remember, **talk** is a great tool for learning so please encourage your child to talk about what they have done each day.

Home Learning

We will continue to use TEAMS to set home learning tasks. The children are expected to complete weekly spellings, Numbots practise and reading.

If you have any problems, please speak to your child's teacher.



History

In history, we will be looking back to 1666 and the era of the Stuarts as they find out about the Great Fire of London and the effect it had on the people of the time. Children will learn when, where, how and why the Great Fire happened, and explore how we know about it through the diary of Samuel Pepys and other sources.

Phonics & Spelling

In Phonics, the children will continue to develop their reading and spelling skills through our Little Wandle programme. They will be learning important spelling rules and exploring alternative digraphs. Some children will also take part in additional sessions to give them extra support and confidence in their phonics learning.

Design and Technology

In DT we have been researching, designing and making Tudor houses much like the ones seen during The Great Fire of London in 1666. We have learnt all about the features of a Tudor house and how they are different from modern houses.



Important Dates

Swimming:
Begins 9th January (Every Friday for 10 Weeks)

P.E & Forest School:
Wednesday

Open Box Theatre: