

KS1 Newsletter

What we are learning about...

Topic: Our topic this term is:

Fire

In **English**, year 1 will be continuing to develop their reading, writing and spelling skills using a range of genres as a stimulus.

Year 2 will be writing winter poetry both rhyming and acrostic. We will also be exploring the Great Fire of London through character descriptions, recount of events and diary writing and non-fiction writing.

In **RE**, year 1 will explore Judaism and The Family.

Year 2 will explore books and stories in Christianity.

In **Computing**, year 1 we will be learning how to send emails.

Year 2 will be coding using algorithms and sending and receiving e-mails.

In **Maths**, Year 1 will be continuing to develop their understanding of place value and looking at adding, subtraction, division and multiplication.

Year 2 will be focusing on multiplication and division. We will be using arrays to explore multiplication and division and practicing key facts. We will also be continuing to add and subtract 2 digit numbers and find missing numbers.

In **Science** we will be learning about humans. In Year 1 we will be identifying the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense

Year 2 will be looking at how we change and develop from babies to children to adults. This will also involve looking at the importance of exercise, eating the right amounts of different foods as well as looking at good hygiene.

In **Art & DT** children will understand how a variety of materials can be used for construction, but some are more effective for different purposes than others. They will build houses in the style of 1666 and see how quickly the fire would have spread with very narrow streets and terraced houses.

Cookery will be linked to the Great Fire of London and we will be making bread.



In **P.S.H.C.E:** we will be looking at the topic 'Getting on and falling out.'



In **P.E** Year 1 & 2 will be focusing on gymnastics and will master basic balancing, agility and coordination skills.

Our topic this term is '**The Great Fire of London.**'

Through this topic children will have the opportunity to use historical investigation skills to understand how past events have effected life today e.g. changes in the use of building materials and spacing houses further apart since the Great Fire.

In **music** we will create musical patterns, learn how to record these so that someone else is able to play them and then rehearse and perform with others.

Notices

Homework

Year 1

Reading

Please can you try and hear your child read as regularly as possible, and make a note in their reading record when they have been listened to. Some children also have access to Reading Eggs, where the details of how to access this and usernames and passwords have been sent home in your child's reading record. The recommendation is that 20 minutes a day is spent on this to support the development of their reading skills. If you need any support on how to sign into this, please come in and see the class teacher. Phonic sounds and common exception words have also been sent home indicating which sounds or words your child needs to practice.

Spellings

Weekly spells are sent home on a Friday and tested each Friday

Year 2

Reading

Please can you try and hear your child read as regularly as possible and make a note in their reading record when they have been listened to. Some children also have access to Reading Eggs, where the details of how to access this and usernames and passwords have been sent home in your child's reading record.

Mymaths and spellings are also set weekly.

Important dates:

Class assemblies

9/02/17 1RH

Remember that every Friday between 8:40am & 9:00am you are invited to come into your child's classroom to share a book with them.