

Spring Term Overview



Why did the Great Fire burn down so many more houses than all the other fires at that time?



Our Big Question:

What does success mean?



This term, we will be learning:

- **History:** We will learn about the Great Fire of London.
- **Geography:** We will be looking at modern London, comparing physical and human features.
- **Art:** We will be recreating the London skyline using clay.
- **D&T:** We will making moving mechanisms.
- **Computing:** We will be programming and making music.
- **PSHE:** We will learn how to keep safe and manage risks as well as the importance of economic wellbeing.
- **Music:** We will be learning new notes on our recorders and composing our own music.
- **PE:** All three classes will learn striking and fielding skills through playing cricket.
- **RE:** We will be thinking about the importance of churches and mosques for Christians and Muslims and also learning about festivals.



Other Information:

- Please listen to your child read and sign their reading records daily.
- History off the page will be visiting for a Great Fire of London workshop on Thursday 24th January.
- The Year 2 sleepover will be on Friday 2nd of February
- We will be visiting the National Portrait Gallery on Wednesday 27th of March.

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English



We will read:

- We will be reading 'The Dark' and 'The Tear Thief'. We will read these books in a specific, gradual way. Please allow us to read the books with your children in class rather than reading the stories at home. Thank you!

We will be writing:

- Diary entries, letters, character descriptions and instructions.

Phonics:

- We will be learning alternative Phase 5 sounds.
- We will be learning Phase 6 spelling rules.

Maths



- We will be learning about money, recognising coins and knowing which coins go together to make different amounts.
- We will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes and describing their properties.
- We will be looking at fractions of shapes and numbers.
- We will also be learning to tell the time on an analogue clock.

Science

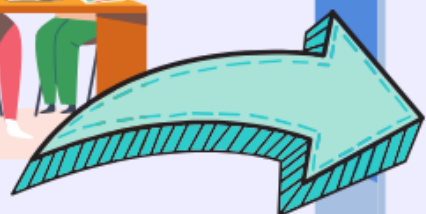


- We will be learning about animals and their habitats.
- We will be learning about micro-habitats
- We will continue to work scientifically by gathering and recording data to help answer questions.

Guided Reading



- We will be reading The Twits by Roald Dahl.
- We will be reading a selection of poems from A Children's Treasury of Milligan by Spike Milligan.



You might like to join in with our learning at home by...

Suggested Reading:

- Year 2 recommended reading: 'Who was... Samuel Pepys.'
- Alternatively there are books available at the local library about the Great Fire of London.

Watching:

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z4msn9q>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx882hv>

Websites:

- <https://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/> A Great Fire of London Game
- https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=mr+thorne+does+phonics

Experiencing:

- Create a silhouette of a house on fire.
- Design your own city.
- Paint/draw/collage a famous London landmark.
- Visit a famous London landmark.
- Visit the Museum of London.

