

# Year 2 Autumn Term 2 Newsletter November 2021 .



Dear Parent/Carers.

We hope you all had a wonderful half term break and children are well rested for the term ahead.

We are very excited about this terms topic and are looking forward to the lead up to Christmas. Thank you for your continued support. We saw some fantastic extra learning last term and many more children becoming regular readers.

The Year 2 team.

## COMMUNICATIONS

If you need to speak to the class teacher please can we ask that you do this at the end of the day. If it is something that will require a longer discussion please make an appointment time through the school's office.

We kindly ask that you use Seesaw to share in your child's learning journey. If there is a personal matter that needs discussing please do this through the communication as above.

## READING AT HOME

It is fantastic to see the children becoming much more fluent in their reading. Books will be checked and changed regularly, please remember to sign diaries so we know that the children have finished reading their book. We will also be visiting the school library once a week where children can choose a book purely for their own pleasure.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure that school uniform is named including coats, hats and scarfs as the weather gets colder. If you send your child to school in wellies please ensure they have school shoes to change into. Please ensure that your child is wearing a school jumper for their PE sessions.

## WATER BOTTLES

Water bottles must contain water only for the classroom. Children may have an additional drink of juice in their packed lunch box. Please ensure your child's water bottle is also named.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**TT Rocks stars competition** — Monday 9th November—Saturday 14th November

**Christmas Party Day**—Tuesday 15th December

**Last day of term** - Friday 17th December

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## London's Burning!

This term in Year 2 the children will be taking part in our history focused topic. We will be exploring significant events of the 17th Century starting with The Gunpowder plot, before moving onto The plague followed by The Great Fire of London'. The Great Fire of London will be our main focus, where we will be learning all about life in London in 1666 and how The Great Fire of London started. The children will be exploring artefacts as well as looking at videos and diaries from this time.

### English

Our first text is called Vlad the and The Great Fire of London. It is about a tiny flea and his best friend Boxtton the rat. Vlad tells the story of how the fire started and the events which followed. The children will use this along with the diaries of Samuel Pepys to write their own diary entries.

### Maths

### Science

This term our science topic is 'Our Local environment'. The children will learn about things that are living and non-living as well as exploring habitats, micro-habitats and food chains.

### Foundation Subjects

**Computing** — We will continue to work on basic keyboard skills and learning how to use simple programmes and the internet to support learning.

**PSHE** — The children will be exploring feelings and talking about relationships.

**P.E.** — Our focus this term is Dance. We will be creating a fire dance based on The Great Fire of London.

**Religious Education** — 'Christianity' The children will explore Bible stories as well as learning about Christian festivals.

**Art** — We will be exploring textures and materials and looking at the work of Max Ernst for inspiration in creating our own landscape pictures.