

Autumn Term Two, Year 2

Welcome Back!

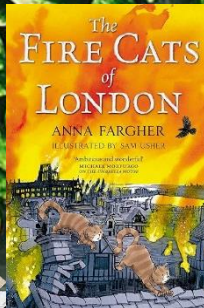
Welcome back! We all hope you had a lovely week and are well rested and ready to start the next half term.

We will have a history focus in our topic lessons this half term and we will be exploring the question 'Who started the fire?' We are very much looking forward to kicking off our topic with our Fire of London trunk show.

As always we have an open door policy and if you have any questions please speak to your class teacher in the first instance.

Kind regards
Mrs Hughes

We are reading...



Important Dates

- 30th Oct Inset day
- 31st Oct clubs start
- 31 Oct Great Fire of London Trunk show
- 2nd Nov Fireworks after school
- 17th Nov Children in need-wear spots
- 24th Nov-1st Dec book fair
- Clubs end w/c 8th Dec (except yoga)
- Yoga club ends after final session on 11th Dec
- w/c 4th Dec Mock SATs
- 12th & 13th Dec Alternative Nativity Performance
- 19th Dec Rocksteady concert
- 20th Dec-Christmas lunch

English

In our writing lessons we are going to continue to explore different text types. We will spend some time creating a high quality setting description as well as putting ourselves in the position of Samule Pepes so that we can write our own diary entry recounting the Great Fire of London.

Maths

In Maths, we will move on to multiplication and division units. In multiplication we will be using repeated addition, arrays, and number lines. Children in Year 2 do need to know the 2-, 3-, 4- and 10-times tables too. We will also be using practical resources, arrays, and a number line within our division unit. We will then move onto fractions of a shape and a number.

Science

In science, we will be extending our learning of materials from Year 1. We will focus on working scientifically so that we can carry out a test following a set of instructions. Before doing so, we will consider what predictions we might be able to make. Once our test is complete, we will learn how data can be recorded in different ways, whether that be a table, chart or picogram.

Geography/History

We will focus on history this half term and consider who started the fire? We will learn where the fire occurred and learn about Christopher Wren, the famous architect, who designed buildings after the fire.

We will also explore the gunpowder plot and find out the details of this treasonous plot.

Art/DT

This half term, we will explore colour and block printing. We will investigate the different ways we can make a print and integrate a repeating pattern into our designs.

As a final piece, we will create our own print of the Great Fire of London using our printing skills and a silhouette background.

Music

In music lessons, children will be introduced to the instruments of the orchestra and practice identifying these within a piece of music. They will learn how different characters can be represented by timbre, how emotions can be represented by pitch and how changes in tempo can convey action.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be celebrating differences! By the end of the unit, we will have explored different stereotypes for genders and know that you can still be a friend to someone who is different to yourself.

Computing

In Computing lessons we will be exploring the shape and line tools.

As we go through our unit, we will evaluate the effectiveness of each tool and use our learning to recreate the work of an artist.

PE

This half term in Year 2 we will be focusing on ball games. Continuing their learning from Year 1, children will refine their skills of throwing, rolling and kicking.