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"Be 'Be the best that you can be"

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Year 2 Newsletter Summer 1 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Summer 1 in Year 2. We are looking forward to the half term ahead and all of the exciting things that are happening.

This half term our topic is: What made the Great Fire of London great?

Sparkling Start: Within the first week we will be junk modelling Tudor Style houses. Please save a cereal box over the holidays and send one in for your child on the first day back.

Fabulous Finish: We will be making bread in the final week. We are asking for a £1.50 donation to help make this day AMAZING. We will get a selection of fillings and make delicious sandwiches. We will be bringing the Pudding Lane Bakery to life!

PE days: Tuesday and Friday

Below is a breakdown of the questions that we will be using our learning to answer each week:

	<u>Week 1</u>	<u>Week 2</u>	<u>Week 3</u>	<u>Week 4</u>	<u>Week 5</u>	<u>Week 6</u>	<u>Week 7</u>
Questions	What happened during the Great fire of London?	Are you able to work as an investigator?	What caused the fire to spread so fast?	What remained of London following the fire?	Was London rebuilt more skilfully by the builders?	What effects did the Great Fire have on London both then and later?	What made the Great Fire of London great?
English	Great Fire of London Non-Chronological report			Fire Acrostic Poetry			
Maths	Length and Height		Fractions				
Jigsaw	Relationships: know how to make friends	Relationships: try to solve friendship problems when they occur	Relationships: help others to feel part of a group	Relationships: show respect in how they treat others	Relationships: know how to help themselves and others when they feel upset or hurt		

Our topic will focus on thinking about countries of the world and what we could see there, what we can eat there and what we can do there.

Our **Key Knowledge Points (KKPs)** for the half term are:

- To know what London was like in 1666.
- To know what happened on 2nd September 1666.
- To know how the fire spread and to investigate how it spread so quickly.
- To know what was left of London.
- To know how London was rebuilt.

KKP'S are the elements of the curriculum that children should remember and be able to recall.

Points to remember regarding home learning:

- **Reading:** We ask that you read with your child each night and make a note in their diary with regards to how they have read. To help your child develop their reading skills, we recommend that you use the plan that Mrs Bloor posted on dojo so that your child is gaining a deeper understanding of the book. Please ask questions about what they have read to secure their understanding and comprehension. Books are changed each Friday. Please make sure that all reading folders are in school for this. Alongside your Read Write Inc book, please access the "share me story" and the library book as reading for pleasure.
- **Spellings:** Spellings appear on Spelling Shed every Friday for your child to practise at home. They will be monitored the following Friday to allow us to keep a record of engagement. These need to be practised for a spelling quiz on these words every Friday. Your child is expected to complete 10 games per week. They are aspiring to achieve Royal Bee status which is displayed as a yellow crown next to the assignment.
- **Maths:** Maths Home Learning: Children in year 2 complete times tables books. They need to have a focus on the times table of the week (linked to year group expectations) Each night they should complete a column to help them to secure the key skill and then finish with the division column so that they are exposed to the inverse operation. Please continue using Numbots to support your home learning. Let us know if passwords need resending or you have any other problems. We recommend that you keep your passwords in your reading diary so that you always have them available.
- **PE:** Please ensure that PE kits are in school daily. No jewellery is to be worn for PE; Earrings should be removed if possible, if not they should be covered with plasters that are provided by home. Please ensure that plasters are kept in your child's PE bag.

Important dates for your diary:

Parents Evenings: 16.04.24 and 17.04.24

Sport's Day: 22.05.24

Phonics Screening: WC 10.06.24

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Bloor, Miss Kennedy and the Year 2 team.

