



English

Writing: In our English lessons we'll be reading and writing about two superb books that link to our History lessons! "Vlad and the Great Fire" by Kate Cunningham and "The Great Fire of London" by Emma Adams will inspire us to write descriptions of the events of 1666 and even our own fact file!

Reading: The children will have opportunities each week to read in small groups with an adult. Please support your child's reading journey by reading regularly at home.

Phonics: Year 1 will be continuing to practise reading words with the sounds that they have learned in Butterflies class before learning some new phase 5 graphemes. Year 2 will use their previous phonics learning to learn new spelling patterns and rules.

Home learning: Spelling sheets will be given out each Friday for both Year 1 and Year 2 and the children will have an opportunity to independently write some of these words in school on the following Friday. Our phonics scheme follows the "three reads" a week model however we ask that you **please aim to read with your child as often as possible at home (ideally daily)** and record this in the reading record. Children who read at least three times a week will be entered into the weekly reading raffle!



History: Our big question is "How did London change after the Great Fire?". This History unit will be an exciting opportunity to learn about the Great Fire of London and consider how the city changed after the events of 1666.

Art: In our Art lessons we'll be exploring spirals. We'll use drawing, collage and mark making to explore spirals and our sketchbooks.



PE: We will be taking part in a range of activities as we focus on the fundamental skills that we'll use in our PE lessons throughout the school year.

Maths

Year 1: Our year 1 children will begin the year by working with numbers within 10. This will include counting, representing and sorting. The children will then start to use the part whole model with numbers within 10.

Year 2: The year 2 children will begin the year by working with numbers within 100. This will include recognising and representing numbers. After, the children will build upon their prior addition and subtraction knowledge while working with numbers within 100 and learning new written methods.

Science: Our young scientists will learn about everyday materials. This will include finding out about the properties of materials and experimenting with the suitability of certain materials for different purposes.



RE: This half term our big question is "What do Christians believe God is like?". Our lessons will link to the parable of "The Lost Son", the story will help us to understand what Christians believe about God.

PSHE: In our PSHE lessons we'll be thinking about connecting with others. This will include considering how we can help ourselves and others feel happy and safe.

Music: During our music lessons this half term we'll listen to and learn a song called "Hands, Feet and Heart" as we learn about South African music