

Red Class Newsletter

Term 3



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday and are ready to start another term.

'Fire Fire'

This term our topic will be 'Fire Fire'.

Below is an overview of how our topic will link with the rest of the curriculum.

In **English** we will be looking at the Great Fire of London and we will be writing diaries just like Samuel Pepys. We will then move on to writing dragon stories based on 'The Egg' by M.P.Robertson.

Our **Maths** topics this term are: addition and subtraction, time and money. This will involve solving addition and subtraction problems using partitioning (the first step towards column addition/subtraction), telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes and making the same amount using different coins.

In **Science** we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We are going to explore whether things are living, dead or have never been alive, learn about food chains and discuss how different animals are suited to their habitats.

In **Art** we are going to be making collages of the Great Fire of London and we will be sketching dragons.

In **DT** we are going to be making Tudor Houses (thank you for saving your cereal boxes).

In **History** we are going to be comparing life during the Great Fire of London to life now. We will also be learning about Samuel Pepys.

In **RE** we will be looking at different religion's special books and what we can learn from these special books.

Our focus for **PE** this term is dance. PE will continue to take place on a **Tuesday**. Please ensure your child has a complete PE kit in school and ensure that earrings have been removed and long hair is tied back on these occasions.

Home Learning

We are very pleased with how well the children have been doing in their spelling tests and they are now applying their spellings within their writing. We will continue to send home weekly spellings based on the Year 2 spelling expectations and the children can continue to choose the 1 Star or 2 Star spellings. These spellings may relate to your child's learning in their spelling/phonics groups or they may be different.

Please continue to read and discuss books as often as possible with your child. Children are able to quiz (if they have chosen a quiz book) and change their reading book as often as they wish. Please keep recording any home reading (school books, books from your own bookshelves, from the library or on their tablets) in their contacts books. We will also be sending home reading comprehension practice this term that you might like to try at home.

Please also continue to complete the Maths learning that we are sending home and if possible encourage your child to complete their Mathletics tasks. We would also be grateful if you would continue to practice the 2, 5, 10, and if your child is ready, 3 times tables at home as well as telling the time to the nearest quarter hour/five minutes.

We will continue to share home learning and Busy Books on Friday.

Thank you for your support.

We look forward to another amazing term with you all.

Mrs Kreiselmeier, Mrs Espadas and Ms Bada