

**Theme:**  
**Great Fire of London**

The children will be undertaking a historical exploration of the events surrounding the Great Fire of London. The children will also be discovering the importance of London within the United Kingdom.

**Geography/History**

Geography this half term will focus on the countries of the United Kingdom and their capital cities.

In history, the children will explore the life and times of the Great Fire of London including the diary of Samuel Pepys.

**Art**

In Art we will be developing our drawing and painting skills. We will use these skills to create portraits of ourselves and experiment with mixing paints to create secondary colours. We will have a focus on the artist David Best.

**Music**

In music, we will continue using Charanga with a focus on picture and symbol notation for rhythms and percussion, including IDM's of: Pulse / Rhythm / Dynamics / Tempo / Pitch / Long and short sounds (Duration). We will focus on 'London's burning'.

**Design and Technology**

In design and technology we will be focusing on 'food'. As a part of this, we will be baking bread as part of our learning theme.

**PE**

Our focus in PE this half term will be invasion games and Box2Bfit. The children will need both indoor and outdoor PE kit each week. No earrings please.

**The School Values which we will be focussing on are:**  
**Resilience and Motivation**

**English (Writing including Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling)**

In English, we will be writing for a variety of purposes such as diary entries, chronological reports, newspaper reports and instructions. We will be focusing on letter formation, finger spaces, full stops and capital letters.

We will be introducing cursive handwriting to all the children and encouraging them to use this in any writing that they complete.

The children will be using RWI phonics to expand their spelling of common exception words and their phonetic spelling.

**RE / PSHE**

In PSHE, we will be focusing on 'being a community' including rules and looking after the environment. We will also be focusing on fire safety and healthy eating.

In RE, our focus is on 'celebrations' with a link to Christian rights of passage. This will include baptism and marriage.

**Computing and Science**

Science this term will focus of animals including humans and plants. The children will identify different animals, the human body and a range of plants.

In computing we will be developing our knowledge of 'Data'. This will include using a popular software package to create pictograms and bar charts to represent information.

**Maths**

In Maths we will continue to be using the scheme 'Maths No Problem'. We will be focusing on place value of numbers 1-20, addition and subtraction, shapes and patterns and length/height

**English (Reading)**

We will be reading a range of stories focused on RWI and class texts.

Guided Reading sessions.  
During guided reading we will be focusing on our ability to use our phonic skills to decode unfamiliar words, reading common exception words and building fluency. We will also focus on linking what we have read to our own experiences and making inferences based on what is said or done.

**E-Safety**

Pupils will focus on the weekly E-safety themes which are communicated through the weekly Newsbites.