

Year 2 Curriculum Letter Autumn 2018 Second Half Term Week 12 and 13



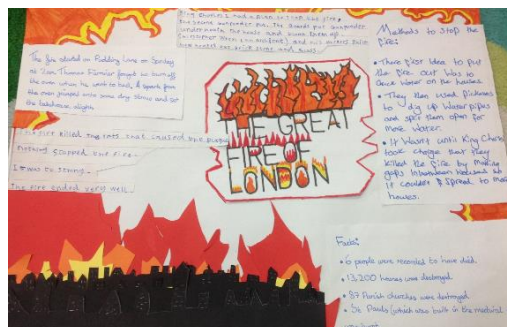
'Bright Lights, Big City'

Weeks 12 & 13 Innovate Design Technology, Science and History Focus

The children will be given the challenge in small groups of presenting all the facts they have learnt about The Great Fire of London. The children will need to decide, as a group how to present their information. The children could create a poster, an electronic presentation, a short film or a dramatization of events. They will then plan their publication and the role each member of the group will have.

To complete this challenge the children will need to share present information about:

- ❖ London as a capital city
- ❖ how The Great Fire of London started
- ❖ why The Great Fire of London spread so quickly
- ❖ how people responded to the fire
- ❖ key significant events during the fire
- ❖ famous people from the time such as Samuel Pepys



The children will share their information with each other, their link class and their friends and family during the Express stage of the topic.

The Fire Brigade from Wallington Fire Station are going to visit on Monday 3rd December to talk to the children about fire safety and their role as firefighters.



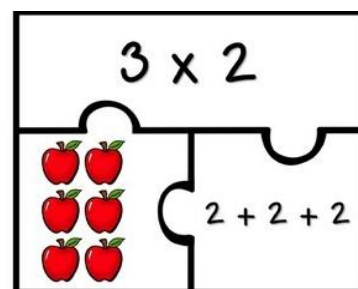
English: Daily phonic sessions will enable the children to use phonics to spell new words, including adding descriptive words or phrases to pictures

depicting London in the past and in the present. The children will also explore the difference between the past and present tense of words and how to use them effectively in a sentence.

The children will use their role-play experiences and other sources to write diary entries in character as key people from 1666, such as Samuel Pepys or Thomas Farriner.

Maths: Mental Maths – Adding and subtracting small amounts mentally. Using understanding of place value to order numbers correctly.

Number - Investigating sequences of numbers in chosen multiples using the 100 square to support their thinking. Developing their understanding of repeated addition and multiplication through exploring equal groups of objects. Representing their ideas in the form of written calculations. Using repeated addition or multiplication to solve simple problems.



Computing: Review the information added to their PowerPoint presentation about The Great Fire of London. Add or amend information as needed. Add sound effects to some elements of the presentation. Using cameras and recording devices to add information to their presentations about their learning.

Physical Education: The children will take part in cycling sessions with both school staff and Mr Rafferty, a trained cycling coach. They will use the experiences they have had through Indian Dance sessions to create their own dances in small groups.

Religious Education: Review what they know about the Christmas Story and its importance to Christians. Exploring the events in the first part of the Christmas Story and consider how people may have felt.

Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education (PSHCE): As a year group support each other to prepare for The Christmas Play. Being aware of their own role and helping others to be prepared for their role. The children will also reflect on the ways this term they have each been 'a good member of our community'. They will consider the ways they can help each other in the future.



Music: Preparing for the Pinocchio performance by learning songs and actions. As a year group presenting the story of Pinocchio, reviewing the rehearsals and making suggestions to improve for the final performance. Demonstrating knowledge and understanding of musical elements through taking part in singing, playing instruments and performing as part of a group.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 5 th December	Year 2 Dress Rehearsal - perform to the rest of the school, Year 3 and siblings from Holy Trinity.	
Thursday 6 th December	2pm and 7.15pm Year 2 Christmas Production - Pinocchio	
Friday 7 th December	Children's Christmas Lunch and Party	
Friday 7 th December	8.45am – 9.05am	Bright Lights, Big City sharing session
Friday 7 th December	3.20pm – 3.40pm	Bright Lights, Big City sharing session
Monday 10 th December	8.45am – 9.05am	Bright Lights, Big City sharing session
Monday 10 th December	3.20pm – 3.40pm	Bright Lights, Big City sharing session

Any family member or friend can come to share learning with your child.

We are running the sessions on two different days at the beginning and end of the day.

Please come only once to share the learning with your child, please come to which ever session is most suitable for you. There is no need to sign up, just come along!

Friday 21st December	10.00am Carol Service at St. Mary's Church - everyone welcome.
Friday 21st December	1.30pm End of Term.
Monday 7th January	INSET Day, school closed for children.
Tuesday 8th January	First Day of Spring Term for the children.