

Year 2 Newsletter

Spring 2



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We hope you had a restful half term, ready for lots more fun and learning.

We had lots of fun in Spring 1, learning about The Great Fire of London, learning about different materials and their properties and ending with us all sewing a puppet! Some highlights:



The Fire Service Visit.

Creating pictograms in Maths!



Visiting the 'Giant's Garden'.



Samuel Pepys. Why is his diary so important?



Year 2 Reading Challenge:

Well done to those children who completed the reading challenges last half term!

We had lots of prizes for reading at least 4 times at home!

Remember the School Library is open after school every day so you can visit it with your child!



Diary dates

Infant voice: Wednesday 28th February

All KS1 children will be singing in school with another school visiting.

**Infant Voice performance pm:
Thursday 21st March** Some Year 2 children (invitation only) will be performing at the Guildhall.

PE days are Wednesdays - please make sure your child has long jogging bottoms and jumpers to keep warm as they may go outside.

Newsletter challenge:

Together with your child, answer the questions on this newsletter and tick the boxes when you have!



PSHE

In PSHE, we will be thinking about 'Healthy Me'. Jo will be helping us think about how we stay healthy, safe and happy.



With an adult, make a healthy snack. Can you explain how you know it is healthy?



Reading

Every Friday, we will be changing the children's books to take home. Please make sure your child has their reading book AND book bag to be able to give them a new book. We will also be looking at their reading challenge cards and handing out prizes. Prizes can only be given if a card is returned with four ticks. We also have E-Collins books assigned to your child online.

English

Our next theme in English is travelling and looking at characters' journeys through their books.

What journeys have you been on?



Have a go at drawing your favourite journey. Why was it your favourite?

Geography

Our new unit is 'India'. We will be learning about a city in India and comparing India to England and Portsmouth.

Can you think of any ways England and India might be similar?



RE

We will be thinking about Easter and looking specifically at the Resurrection. Sofia will be helping us to understand what happened.



Sofia would like to ask you, how do you know when winter has ended?

Maths

We will begin the half term looking at multiplication and division. We will be reminded of the signs and using arrays to support us solve problems. What are the signs for multiplication and division?

We will also be continuing to develop our understanding of numbers to 10 and how they are made.

How many different ways can you make the numbers:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Think about using the number 5, what would 5 need to make these?

Computing

In Computing, we will be developing our skills in making robots move and giving clear instructions. We will be having a go at using Beebots and the Beebot software on our tablets.



At home, practise giving clear instructions to a 'robot'. Can you make someone at home follow your instructions? Maybe they could pick something up or walk to another room without bumping into things!