



THERE'S NO FULL STOP TO LEARNING

YEAR TWO NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN TERM 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful half term holiday.
This term we have an exciting topic: **The Great Fire of London.**

Home Learning

Project: Each half term, the children will be encouraged to complete a topic based project. This homework gives the children a chance to practise and perfect skills that they are learning in the classroom and to further explore their class topic independently. Please encourage and support your children when working on their project. There are several projects you could complete with your child this term. Please choose at least one to complete with your child at home:

1. We will be looking at Samuel Pepys and the diary he wrote. Please encourage your child to keep a diary for a week.
2. The fire started in a bakery in Pudding lane. Please make bread or buns at home and write an explanation describing how they were made. It would be lovely to have some labelled photographs and diagrams within the explanation.
3. The Monument in London marks the place where the fire started. Visit the monument at the weekend and write about what you found out.

I look forward to seeing all the incredible projects and would like them to be completed and in school on Monday 16th December.

Maths Scrap Books: Your child will bring a Family Maths Scrapbook home and this should be completed as a family at home with the child. Please could all children bring their Maths Scrap Books to school on Wednesdays so that I can see the maths that they are completing at home.

Reading: Please hear your child read **every day** at home and record this on the form pasted inside the back of their Reading Journal. All children will have a Guided Reading lesson with me each week and be provided with two books following this session each week. One book will be a levelled reading book and the other will be chosen by them from the book corner. Your child should respond to both books in their Reading Journals. I have pasted a letter inside all Reading Journals with suggestions of tasks that can be completed when responding to reading. Please complete one task/book each week. The letter also indicates when your child's Guided Reading lesson with is and it is expected that both books will have been read at home and responded to in Reading Journals in time for this lesson each week. If your child reads and responds to both books before their next guided reading lesson I will happily provide them with another book.

Spelling: Each Monday your child will bring a list of spellings home to learn. Please spend 10 minutes working on the spellings every day with your child. I will assess the spellings the following Monday through a dictation that includes the spellings.

P.E.

P.E will take place every Wednesday and Thursday. Children will need a P.E. kit for these lessons.

Please could your child bring a filled water bottle to school each day. All bottles will be sent home at the end of each day for washing and refilling.

With winter now arriving, please could you make sure your child has their coat at school each day. We will be asking them to wear their coats in the playground and will support them to do buttons and zips up.

On a Wednesday Jess Edwards will teach Y2 in the afternoon as I have my PPA. Jess will teach the children Music and P.E.

If you have any questions or want to talk about something concerning your child, please see me at morning drop off or afternoon pick up. When I am teaching, you can telephone or email the school office and they will pass a message to me.

I often also post some of the amazing work the children do on X (**Mrs D-J Reay @ReayMrs**) so make sure you have a look.

Many thanks for all your support.

The Year Two Team