

Maths:

We will be following our new power maths scheme and exploring place value before going on to addition and subtraction.

Mrs.Berry will be covering different types of measure on a Friday

We will also be revisiting our maths skills from Year 1 on a daily basis and practising different maths skills such as mental arithmetic and problem solving.

RE: Exploring Christianity:

What is the good news Christians says Jesus brings?

Exploring the stories in the gospel part of the bible and what they tell us. We will be exploring what it teaches us as Christians.

Christmas - Why does Christmas matter to Christians - Incarnation

We will be revisiting the Christmas story and then exploring it from other viewpoints. We will look at a painting by Botticelli and think about what it shows us about Jesus as a king. We will be thinking about charities at Christmas and taking part in a charitable activity. We will also be doing our amazing Christmas play!

Geography: developing our knowledge about London through our history and literacy learning.

PE:

One of our PE lessons will be led by Mr.Brown each week and this will be a mixture of indoor and outdoor activitie.

Visiting the Leisure centre for some super swimming lessons. Outdoor education exploring the woods and creating dens.

English: We will be working on our Write Stuff English work this half term.

Our first unit will be based on the book The marvellous fluffy squishy itty bitty. This will give us an opportunity to recap how we use the write stuff approach and work on our sentence writing skills

Our second unit will focus on The Great Fire of London - through a text we will be exploring a diary and the events and experiences of the Great Fire. We will then write our own diaries from the viewpoint of a rat before we complete an amazing piece of independent writing.

Mrs.Berry will also focus on handwriting on a Friday.

We will also continue with daily phonics and our spelling programme.

Science: Our focus for the term will be materials.

We will be identifying and comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for particular uses. We will use our local area to investigate this. Next we will investigate solids and work out how we can change them. Lots of our science work will be done in the woods. We will also look at the work of different scientists and see how it has changed the world we live in. **DT** - we will apply our science skills by designing a vehicle which we could use to travel around London. We will learn about what an axle is.



Year 2
Autumn Term
Fire... Fire!!!!!!!

History: Our whole topic will focus around history this term and we will be covering lots through our literacy as well as answering five key questions in our history lessons.

The Great Fire of London. Finding out why we think the great fire started and whether more could have been done to stop the fire. Exploring what life was like and comparing the past and present. Sequencing the events and the people involved. Discovering Samuel Pepys' diary. Finding out what happened after the great fire and finding out what we learned from the fire.

CHRISTMAS - we will be having lots of fun practicing for our Christmas play and making some super Christmas craft to bring home!

Computing:

Technology around us - looking at how we use technology in our lives and how to make smart choices.
Digital photography - Learning how to capture photos. Capture, edit and improve photos. Recognise that images they see may not be real.

Music: We will be learning about pulse, rhythm and pitch

PSHE: Mrs.Berry will continue to teach the children PSHE. Her focus will be on hopes and fears for the year.

Art & Design:
Developing our observational drawing skills and pen and pencil techniques

Exploring the use of watercolours and paint.
Drawing and painting London landmarks - we will be working on our brush strokes and being careful as we choose the right size brush.
Creating Fire of London pictures - using wax resist, firey backgrounds and adding pattern