



Team: Year 1 and 2

Term: Autumn 2023

Art/DT

The children will be making Great Fire of London landscapes based on the artist Jan Griffier. They will be using paint to create a gradient and then using mixed materials to create a landscape.

For our DT week we will be transporting ourselves back to Thomas Farriner's bakery and making some bread.

Music

This term the children will be learning songs about the Great Fire of London. They will think carefully about rhythm and keeping a steady pulse.

ICT

Within our ICT lessons we will be thinking about what information technology means and types of IT we see in school, home or out about in the street or in shops.

Science

Our topic this term is called 'Everyday Materials'. Year 1 will begin by learning what a material is and different types of materials. They will then move onto describing some of their properties for example how they feel.

Year 2 will recap types of materials and what objects are made from those materials. They will learn more about the properties of materials such as 'opaque, transparent, waterproof, absorbent'. They will also think about the suitability of materials.



The Great Fire of London



English

We have begun by reading Dirty Bertie, Fire and Toby and the Great Fire of London to immerse ourselves in how life was in 1666. In our writing sessions, the children will be writing in a range of different genres including information texts, narrative, poetry and instructions, linking to our knowledge of the Great Fire of London. The children will have weekly spelling lessons and we will also be practising our continuous cursive handwriting style. Our grammar focus for this term will be word classes, conjunctions and different sentence types.

Maths

Year 1 will start with a Place Value unit with numbers to 10, exploring how to count, order and compare numbers. They will then move on to adding and subtracting with numbers to 10.

Year 2 will start with their Place Value unit with numbers to 100 with a main focus on partitioning numbers into tens and ones. They will then move onto addition and subtraction unit.

History/Geography

The main focus of our learning will be on the historical events of the Great Fire of London. We are very excited for our workshop which will allow us to learn lots of new facts. We will begin by sequencing the events that led up to the devastating fire, and then narrow our focus to learn about the significant figures of Samuel Pepys and King Charles II. We will be looking at different sources like Samuel Pepys diary to find out the answers to some of our questions.

PE/Games

In outdoor PE we will be completing a ball skills unit, learning how to roll a ball with increasing accuracy and then how to move a ball in other ways. In indoor PE we are doing gymnastics, learning how to make shapes and perform routines.

RE

In RE this term with Mrs Dahele we will be focussing on the religion of Christianity. Our big question is 'It is possible to be kind to everyone all the time?' The children will hear some biblical stories that demonstrate kindness.

PSHE

In PSHE our topic is 'Being Me in My World'. We will practise our 'Calm Me' breathing and go on to discuss our hopes and fears for the upcoming year. The children will create class rules and discuss the importance of rewards and consequences.