

# Spring Term Year 2

## English

In English this half term, we are continuing to use our increasing grammar knowledge to write a diary entry about the Great Fire of London. We are going to learn the features of a diary entry and many facts about the Great Fire. We are also going to be writing shape poems. We will write these about springtime in the shape of objects that remind us of spring.

## Maths

In Maths this half term, we are describing movement and turns. We are also going to be multiplying and dividing. We will learn more about the 2, 5 and 10 times table. We will look at odd and even numbers. We will also recap our doubling and halving skills.

## We are reading...

- The Fire Cats of London by Anne Fargher
- The Proudest Blue by Ibithaj Muhammad
- Little Red by Bethan Woollvin
- An Emotional Menagerie Feelings from A-Z
- The Last Wolf by Mini Grey
- Moth by Isabel Thomas
- The Smeds and the Smoos by Julia Donaldson

## Science

Our big question in science this half term is 'What do humans need to survive?' We will look at lifecycles and how animals and humans grow. We will discuss the importance of a healthy and balanced diet. We will discuss why we need exercise. We will also learn about the importance of hygiene and how we can keep our bodies clean.

## Art

In Art this half term, we will be learning about the sculptor Barbara Hepworth. We will discuss which of her works we like and dislike. We will use clay to make simple thumb pots and learn how to use different techniques to manipulate clay. We will also look at the work 'Rush of Nature' by Marc Quinn. We will compare his work to the work of Barbara Hepworth.



## Geography

In Geography, we will continue our learning about the UK. We will learn about Wales and Northern Ireland. We will learn key facts like the capital city of each country and the emblems associated with each country. We will then learn about the 7 continents of the world. We will learn a song to help us remember them. We will also learn the names of the 5 oceans.

## DT

In D.T. we will be designing and making our own portable snack. We will be developing our skills of; spreading, grating, chopping using the bridge and claw method and peeling.

## History

In History, we are going back in time to 1666 to learn about the Great Fire of London. We will make a timeline of the key events of the fire. We will learn about key historical figures like Samuel Pepys. We will discuss how the fire started and stopped. We will discuss the impact the fire had on London. We will use historical sources and artefacts to find out about the fire.

## PSHE

In PSHE, we will be celebrating differences. We will be improving our teamwork skills by taking part in group challenges. We will discuss how it feels to achieve something. We will discuss setting realistic goals and discuss how we can achieve these.

## Computing and RE

In Computing, we will be learning about Digital Literacy and Digital Photography. We will learn how we can take photographs on an Ipad and use tools to change the images.

In RE, we are learning about the Islamic faith. We will learn some of the key Muslim beliefs about Allah and discuss some of the ways that Muslims show their faith.

## PE and Music

In Indoor PE, we will be moving our bodies to music. We will be creating some simple dances inspired by the Great Fire of London. In outdoor PE, we will be participating in team games and developing simple tactics.

In Music, we will be using our voices expressively and using some instruments. We will be learning a song called 'I wanna play in a band'.