

Year 2



Dear Parents and Carers,

The highlight this week was definitely The Great Fire of London Workshop and there has been a real buzz in Year 2 since Tuesday. The children really enjoyed meeting Thomas Farriener, Samuel Pepys and King Charles II and taking on different roles to re-enact the key events from The Plague to the rebuilding of St Paul's Cathedral. They had a further opportunity to show off their knowledge and acting skills in class history lessons when they made a human timeline of the Fire from Samuel Pepys viewpoint.

English

Through guided writing the children have continued to retell the story of Little Red Reading Hood in the style of a traditional tale. It would be great if you could read and talk with your children about classic stories like Jack & the Beanstalk, The Three Little Pigs or traditional tales from your family's home country.

Maths

We have continued to explore money and the children have been learning to find change and solve reasoning problems involving pounds and pence. We also had a session using Times Table Rockstars on Chromebooks so please encourage your child to log in at home and complete the Times tables challenges.

Foundation Subjects

In science, the children have been using their knowledge of materials and their properties to design a children's outdoor playground. Their early plans have already shown some very imaginative ways to use wood, metal, plastic and rubber to create different themes. In art over the last few weeks the children have had an opportunity to experiment with watercolours, poster paint, tissue paper, pastels and watercolour pencils. Next week they will have a free choice of media to create an independent piece of artwork entitled 'Fire'.

Notices & Reminders

There are lots of things you can do at home to support your child's learning:

- Read every day and discuss the text with them.
 - Practise the Year 2 Common Exception Word spellings
 - Log on to Times Tables Rockstars to improve maths fluency.
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Values Award

Bracken - James & Ludwik; **Clover** - Ben & Kaashvi; **Heather** - Omar & Hari

Diamond Work Award

Bracken - Arlene & Jessica; **Clover** - Esme & Montgomery; **Heather** - Athena & Talulah
