



Term: Autumn 2023 Year 2

Topic: The Great Fire of London

The year is 1666 and London is burning. Where did it start? Who left the oven on? Will London ever be the same again? Step back in time as we discover what it was like to live in the 17th century, how the fire was stopped and who were the influential people of the time.

- Each week you should:
- Read **every day** with your child (even if it's only a few pages) and sign your child's reading record - it is the most important part of their learning this year. Reading books will be changed every day if your child has finished it so that they progress through our school scheme.
- Learn weekly spellings for spelling test every Friday.
- Learn the Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words. These are stuck in the front of your child's spelling book.

PE and Forest Schools take place on a Friday morning.

Our school's PE kit: Dark coloured shorts or jogging bottoms, plain white T-shirt, socks and trainers/plimsolls. PLEASE LABEL ALL ITEMS.

For Forest Schools: Please make sure your child has a pair of wellies and a suitable coat available for this session.

Jewellery must **not** be worn for PE; children must be able to remove their own earrings.

Here are some ideas for homework you can do with your child at home. This term please pick 3 or 4 projects to complete. Send your work back into school by **Friday 25th November.**

English theme:

Interview a relative from an older generation, record changes they have seen where they grew up.

Imagine you are on holiday in London. Write a postcard to your friends or family at home to tell them all about it.

Write a diary entry about the Great Fire of London.

What adjectives (describing words) could you use to describe a fire? Draw a fire and write adjectives around the flames.

Maths theme:

Visit a local shop with your grown up, hand over your money and work out your change.

Look at the numbers of the houses in your street. Can you write down the even numbers? Can you write down the odd numbers?

Time how long your journey home from school takes by counting or using a clock.

Art theme:

Look in detail at the outside of your house and make a careful observational drawing.

Draw and label a design for your own fantasy home. What will your home be built from? How will you get in and out of your house?

Experiment mixing paints to create different shades of red, orange and yellow.

Create a picture using fiery colours. Use paint, pastels, chalk, felt tips, paper or fabric.

Topic theme:

Visit your local museum, such as Preston Hall or Dorman Museum. What can you find out about the past?

What can you find out about fire fighters? Make a poster about them.

London is the capital of England. Can you find out some information about London or the capital cities of the other countries in the UK?

