



Year Two Newsletter: Summer One 2024

SOS - Great Fire of London!



We hope you all had a lovely Easter break and are ready for another half term of exciting learning in Year Two. This half term we will be starting our 'SOS' theme, with a focus on The Great Fire of London.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us in person or via the school office on office@saltaireps.co.uk

*With our best regards,
The Year Two team*

Ellington teachers: Miss Garnett and Miss Woolley

Glennie teachers: Mrs Liddle

Middle Phase Learning Support Assistants: Mrs Smith, Mrs Cullum Mrs Moreau and Miss Rogers

Our Learning Theme		Important Dates:	
<p>SOS - The Great Fire Of London</p> <p>Would you have preferred to have been on the Titanic or lived on Pudding Lane?</p>		<p>Great Fire of London visitor - Tuesday 23rd April</p> <p>Mosque visit- Wednesday 24th April</p> <p>School closes for half term - Friday 24th May</p> <p>Visit to Filey Beach - 17th July 2024</p>	
English	Maths	PE Days	
<p>Our fiction focus will be exploring a beautiful story called <i>The Building Boy</i>.</p> <p>We will also be developing our poetry skills with a focus on Diamante poems.</p> <p>Then, we will apply our non-fiction skills into writing Samuel Pepys diary entries.</p> <p>In spellings, we will be thinking about: why do some words have the spelling 'ey' for the sound /ee; why do some words end -le, -al, -il or -el; why does 'c' make the sound /s/ in some words; how can I spell the sound /zh; what happens when I add the suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful -less and -ly to a root word and how can I show missing letters in a word.</p>	<p>We will be continuing our learning of length and height and then we will move to a focus on mass, capacity and temperature.</p> <p>Later on in the half term, we will be learning about fractions and time.</p>	<p>Monday – Outdoor PE: Attack, Defend, Shoot with Mrs Liddle and Miss Brett</p> <p>Wednesday – Indoor PE: Run, Jump, Throw with Miss Garnett and Mrs Liddle</p> <p>Please ensure children are appropriately dressed in school PE uniform and sensible trainers on the above days.</p>	



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Computing	Other curriculum subjects	Homework
We will be completing our learning to create a simple program of instructions using Scratch pad Junior.	<p>In science we will exploring bulbs and how they differ from seeds. We will be looking at animals growing up and the stages of development through life.</p> <p>In history, we will be developing our research skills whilst learning all about The Great Fire Of London!</p> <p>In art, we will be using graphite to explore drawing and shading and we will be considering colour and texture for effect in order to create a scene from the Great Fire of London.</p> <p>In PSHE and as part of our Crew sessions, we will be thinking about how we can be the best we can be. Working on resilience building, reaching our goals and looking after ourselves.</p> <p>In music, we will be exploring the Friendship Song whilst listening, appraising, composing and performing other songs about friendship.</p> <p>In RE, pupils will learn about the views of different religions/beliefs regarding the origins of the world. They will consider the ways in which religious and non-religious individuals and organisations show care and concern for the planet.</p>	<p>All homework books (and any outstanding projects) were due back to school by Monday 15th April.</p> <p>Your child will then receive new homework on Friday 19th April: Maths and English tasks for the half term with another topic based project (optional).</p> <p>Again, thank you to everyone who completed some fantastic food preparations during the last half term.</p> <p>Please record and share any homework from this half term by Friday 24th May.</p>

Reading

Children have three Reading Practice sessions per week at school. In addition, please could you read with your child at home as often as possible, ideally daily, and write a short note in your child's reading record when having done so.

The book changing days are the same for both classes and align to Crews:

Tuesday: Innovators
Wednesday: Pioneers
Thursday: Motivators
Friday: Explorers

Books are only changed on these days so please ensure your child reads their book twice and if completed, please feel free to read a book at home of your child's choice.

Bookbags are needed everyday.

Please could you ensure your child's book is in their school book bag each day so we can hear them read when we can. Library books will be changed each Tuesday.

AS ALWAYS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT WITH YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING.