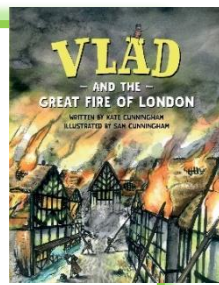


## In English we will ...

We will begin the half-term by writing our own diamante poems about fireworks. After poetry we will be reading 'Vlad and The Great Fire of London' by Kate Cunningham. This book provides an exciting and interesting way to introduce the facts and encourage discussion around the people and what happened to them. Following this, we will be reading a non-fiction text about the Great Fire of London to inspire our writing. In Phonics this term, we will be finishing Phase 5 before beginning Phase 6.



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## Home Learning

*Home Learning Jigsaw*- Please choose one activity to complete each week and upload it to SeeSaw. The jigsaw has been uploaded onto Seesaw and is stuck in the front of the green Home Learning books which are to be kept at home.

*Spelling Home Learning*- The weekly activity is based on that week's phonics learning. The activity will be set on Seesaw every Friday afternoon. Please complete the activity and upload to Seesaw by Wednesday.

*Mathletics*- Please log in and complete the assigned activities which are based on learning from the week. The activities will also be set every Friday afternoon.

*Reading*- Children should be reading at least three times a week at home, for approximately 10 minutes. Please record any reading completed in your Reading Record. Children are responsible for changing their own books from the class book corner and can do it everyday if need be.



## Useful websites

Phonics play- <http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Spelling frame- <https://spellingframe.co.uk/>

Welcome back and we hope that you had a restful half term. All the children have settled back into school very well and have produced some fantastic learning. We look forward to another amazing half term and the exciting lead up to Christmas!

Thank you for your continued support,  
Miss Proctor, Mrs Rammohan, Mrs Hardstone  
and the Year 2 support team

## Year 2 Key Information

- Please ensure PE kits are worn to school on PE days. Year 2 will have PE with Coach Alhaji on Mondays and their class teachers on Wednesdays. No earrings should be worn on PE days.
- Please keep toys at home and limit bookbag keyrings to just one!
- Please remember to bring a named water bottle every day which can be refilled during the day.

## Important Dates

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**- Anti-Bullying Week  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**-Children in Need  
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**-Parent forum  
**Monday 27<sup>th</sup>- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** – Book Fair  
**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** - Flu immunisations  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December** – Year 2 trip to St Paul's Cathedral  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**- FoR Own Clothes Day  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December**-Christmas Fair  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
–KS1 Christmas Performances  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**- Christmas Class Parties  
**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**-Christmas Lunch and last day of term

## As mathematicians we will be...

- Adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers using number lines
- Finding 10 more and 10 less than a given number
- Adding and subtracting 10s
- Subtracting a 2-digit number from a 2-digit number
- Comparing number sentences
- Exploring in detail the properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes
- Identifying shapes with a vertical line of symmetry

## How can you help at home?

- As grammar is such a strong focus in Year 2, please try to gently correct grammar errors which you hear by repeating back the correct form. For example, we often hear "I writed a story" or "I wented to the park" and your help in correcting these verbal errors would be much appreciated as this will help improve their writing.
- Please continue to practice number bonds to 10 and 20, doubling and halving and quick recall of times tables facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times table.

## **In Science we will.....**

- Complete our learning on 'Animals, including Humans' by exploring the effects of exercise and the importance of a healthy diet.
- Begin our new unit on 'Uses of Everyday Materials'.
- Identify a variety of everyday materials.
- Compare the suitability of different everyday materials for different purposes.

## **In History we will.....**

- Understand how London has changed over time
- Know what London was like in 1666
- Compare firefighters in 1666 to today
- Know how the Great Fire started
- Understand how the Great Fire spread so quickly
- Know how the Great Fire changed London

## **In PE we will .....**

- Work with the Crystal Palace Sports Coach – Coach Alhaji to develop hitting skills with a variety of bats.
- Perform basic actions in gymnastics with control and consistency.
- Create and perform a simple sequence.

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## **In Computing we will ...**

- Understand what an algorithm is.
- Create a computer program using an algorithm.
- Create a program using a given design.
- Design an algorithm that follows a timed sequence.

## **In RE we will .....**

- Learn about Christmas through the theme of Jesus as a gift from God.
- Reflect on the Christmas story and the reasons for Jesus' birth.
- Explore how Christians celebrate Christmas.

## **In Music we will ...**

- Take part in music technology and instrumental lessons with Mrs Fathers, our music specialist teacher from Bromley Youth Music Trust.

## **In Art we will....**

- Paint a background to represent the Fire of London.
- Draw and create a silhouette of the London skyline
- Use a variety of objects to print buildings.