

# Year 2 Newsletter

Quartz Class Teacher: Miss Sellar

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Calver

Sapphire Class Teachers: Mrs Cassell & Mrs Dengate

Teaching Assistants: Miss Milner

## Curriculum information

Our topic in Term 2 is *The Great Fire of London*.



This term, we will be learning all about *The Great Fire of London*. During our topic lessons, we will be comparing present day London to the London that existed before 1666, learning about life in the 17th Century and discovering the events of the Great Fire. We will also be learning about how London was rebuilt after the fire and will be designing our own city.

In our English lessons we will be using the text *'Toby and The Great Fire of London'* to support our learning. We will be focussing on descriptive writing, creating our own settings, discussing character's actions and retelling a story from the perspective of another character.

In **Maths** we will continue to learn new skills in solving addition, subtraction and multiplication calculations as well as learning about money. We will be applying these skills to solve problems and in reasoning about our methods.

Our **Computing** focus is all about photography and in learning to take and edit our photos.

In **P.E** we will be taking part in dance sessions as well as learning how to use our attacking, defending and shooting skills in a range of sports.

In **Science** we will be learning about **Animals including Humans** and we will focus on exercise and keeping healthy.

This term also sees us begin our rehearsals for our **Nativity** performances. There will be further details to follow about costumes, timings and lines!

Thank you for your ongoing support and if you have any queries or questions please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the Year 2 team.

## Reading books

Each week your child is listened to read in Guided Reading sessions. Reading is a tricky skill to master and your child will benefit from **reading with you at home, as much as possible, to build confidence and fluency and to develop comprehension skills.**

It is also very beneficial (and fabulous for your child) if you continue to read to them - thank you!



## P.E

Both Sapphire and Quartz class will have P.E on **Mondays**.

Please could you ensure your child has their P.E kit in school. **Please remove earrings on these days** - this is an important health and safety issue.



## How can you help at home?

2, 5 and 10 times tables

Reading- books, comics, recipes or labels!

Spelling homophones e.g. There/their, here/hear and the common exception words.

Writing simple stories/news using adjectives, adverbs and similes

## Key Dates:

**11th December: Deadline for Christmas cards and gifts to be bought in.**

**16th December: Christmas dinner day— children to wear Christmas jumpers.**

**18th December: End of Term 2 (1:30pm finish)**

## Water bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a **named** drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. **This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.**



## Clothing

Please make sure all items of your child's clothing has their name on it. It makes it much easier to reunite children with lost clothes. This includes their PE kit.

Thank you