

Here are the areas of learning we will be studying during our Autumn Term theme:

Fire and Light

• Knowledge and Understanding of the World

As historians we will:

- *Ask why the Great Fire of London started and spread linking its causes & effects.
- *Use a Time Line and different historical sources e.g. writing by Samuel Pepys.
- *Meet famous people e.g. Florence Nightingale & Guy Fawkes.

As geographers we will:

- *Take the Magic Travel Machine to visit Hot and Cold locations.

As computer technicians we will:

- *Use the computer to investigate scientific ideas and search for historical events.
- *Learn how to use shift, capital and backspace keys to improve our keyboard skills and presentation.

As scientists we will:

- *Group materials according to a variety of criteria.
- *Find out about solids, liquids and gases.
- *Investigate heating & cooling through cooking and other group tasks.
- *Learn about electricity and its uses and make a simple circuit to light a bulb.

As musicians we will:

- * Listen to and learn to sing and play music from different times in history, particularly linked to Fire of London.

As designers we will:

- *Design and make a guy and scarf for Bonfire Night using a variety of media including ICT.
- *Use construction kits and junk to model historical events and places.

• Creative Development

As artists we will:

- *Explore fire colours using different media.
- *Create a London skyline using collage.
- *Express our own ideas in bonfire & firework pictures.

• Communication, Language and Literacy

As readers and writers we will:

- *Read historical accounts and stories and discuss the language used in the past and write our own recounts of famous events.
- *Follow instructions linked to science investigations and Design tasks.
- *Read and write recipes and menus in our Chef's kitchen Role Play area.
- *Look at diary entries and newspaper reports for the Great Fire of London.
- *Create Firework code posters and Fire Escape routes.

• Problem Solving, Reasoning and Numeracy

As mathematicians we will:

- *Use lists, tables, pictograms and block graphs to sort, classify and organise information linked to our science investigations.
- *Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement and link these to Fire Escape routes.

Year 2 Autumn Term Creative Theme

During the Autumn term we will also be studying the following:

Literacy:

*Following the National Strategy for Literacy including work on Narrative texts, Non-fictional writing and poetry.

Numeracy:

*Following the National Strategy for Numeracy units including calculating, measuring, using and applying maths and data handling.

RE:

*Festivals of light: Diwali, Hanukkah, Advent, Christmas.

SEAL:

*New Beginnings and Emotional Literacy themes of Happy & Sad, Needed & Lonely.

PE:

Football, Basketball and Speed, Agility and Quickness skill development.

Homework Plan

Day	Task
Monday	Reading (Book changed if required)
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Spelling
Thursday	Reading (Book changed if required)
Friday	Maths - to begin later in the term



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