

Federation of Pinvin C of E First School and St Nicholas C of E Middle School

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Executive Headteacher Mr Andrew J Best



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Dear Parents and Carers,



Our topic for this half term is 'London's Burning' where the children will be learning about the The Great Fire of London. They will explore London and how it has changed, compare the similarities and differences between 1666 and present day, how the fire started and spread, as well as how the city was rebuilt after the Great Fire.

English

In English, we will be writing poems based on the topic of fire. We will also be exploring Traditional Tales with a twist, such as 'The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig'. We will be reading, re-telling and writing our own traditional stories. Later on, we will learn about explanation texts and recounts in relation to The Great Fire of London.

Maths

Our Maths for this half term will cover number and place value. We will also look at addition, subtraction and statistics. Later in the half term, we will be investigating fractions, measures and position. We will also continue to practise mental arithmetic and multiplication throughout the term.

Science

In Science, the pupils will be learning about Animals (including humans). The children will investigate and describe the basic needs of animals for survival, describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene.

Foundation subjects

The foundation subjects will be covered through a topic based approach. This half term we will be developing our History skills. The children will explore The Great Fire of London and will investigate the impact that this historical event had on the city and how life has changed since the Great Fire. Some of the activities the children will engage in include: baking their own bread and designing and making model timber houses to re-create the Great Fire!

ICT

ICT will be used throughout the curriculum to support your child's learning. Alongside this, the class will be taught how to conduct effective research online. They will also use programming and animation to re-create The Great Fire of London.

R.E

In Religious Education the children will be exploring the question: 'Who is Jewish and what do they believe?' The children will begin by exploring precious Jewish artefacts and then will make their own Mezuzahs. Then the children will also investigate different Jewish festivals and discover why they are significant to the Jewish faith.

P.E.

In P.E, the class will be developing their gymnastics and dance skills. Children will need full PE kit on a Thursday afternoon.

Thank you for your support with your child's learning. If you have any questions about our topic or learning within Year 2, please feel free to come and see me either before or after school.

Forest School

On a Wednesday afternoon the children will take part in Forest School. Children will need to bring wellies and a warm coat into school on this day.

Mrs Bowkett and Mrs Rushen.