



Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to Year 2! We shall be covering the following areas this half- term. Our main topic will be **Fire, Fire** (The Great Fire of London). Many parents have, in the past, requested links to the topic where they can support their child in the learning going on in school. These are purely optional.

	Curriculum covered this half-term	Optional suggestions for home-learning
English	Patterned Poems SPAG Recounts (linked to the Great Fire) Instructions	Learn/revise long vowels /ai/, /ee/, /ie/, /oa/, /ue/ through words with different representations of the same phoneme. Writing sentences at home, practising correct punctuation and using their phonics.
Maths	Counting, partitioning and calculating Securing Number facts Understanding shapes	http://www.ictgames.com/placeValue.htm
Science	Materials Understanding and investigating the properties of everyday materials	Science Museum Investigating what different items are made from. Is it waterproof? Is it strong? Malleable?
ICT	Web safety Over-view of internet. Touch-typing	
History	The Great Fire of London	National Portrait Gallery St Paul's Cathedral http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk
PE	Relay & Tag Games Football	
Art	Charcoal pictures Colour mixing – hot and warm colours.	Explore mixing colours with paints at home – what colours do they make?
DT- Cooking	Making Bread	Visit and talk about a bakery.
PSHE/ Be the best you can be.	Rules/routines. New Beginnings and belonging	Remind the children of being independent with their belongings.
RE	Christianity – Bible	
Music	Songs and rhymes	

The children should children bring in **water bottles** every day, to keep them hydrated as they learn. If you have any materials we could use for junk modelling please also send those in, as they would be useful during art or any practical lessons.

Dates for your diary:

Curriculum workshop for parents Thursday 29th September 7.00-8.30pm

Parent's evening – 4th and 13th October 4-7pm

Visit to British Museum (Fire, Fire exhibit) – Monday 10th October 9.15am- 2.00pm

Open Afternoon – Wednesday 19th October 2.45-3.30pm

Joint Year 2 Assembly - Friday 21st October 9:00am

We look forward to a happy and successful term with the children.

With best wishes,

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