



CHERRY CLASS – Autumn Term

"The Great Fire of London"



English

In Talk4Writing and Talk4Reading, we will be exploring the art of looking and writing diary entries based on our topic of The Great Fire of London. We will be focusing on basic sentence structure with capital letters and full stops and concentrating on correct letter formation, adding detail into our writing with the use of adjectives. We will be looking at examples of diaries such as Samuel Pepys.

We will continue to practice sentence structure, vocabulary (both common exception words and topic related) and grammar. With weekly spellings, we will be improving handwriting and reading throughout the curriculum.

We are reading...



RE

In RE, we will be learning about Judaism and how Jews live their lives; exploring sacred places and how they celebrate their religion in festivals.

We will be exploring stories told from the Torah whilst comparing to Christianity and the Bible.

As we edge closer to Christmas, we will be talking about why Christmas matters to Christians. We will be exploring bible stories and understanding the true meaning of Christmas.

Maths

Maths will follow the White Rose scheme of work, focusing on basic skills and problem solving. This term we will begin with reviewing our maths knowledge from the previous year with numbers to 10 and 20.

We will start with looking at place value and how numbers are built. We will move onto building on our addition and subtraction skills whilst finally looking into different shapes and understanding the differences. We will be starting to look at number bonds within 20 for Year 1 and TT Rockstars for Year 2 to secure times tables.

Art and DT

We will be using a range of materials to create collages of the black and white houses and fire pictures using chalk. We will look closely at the structure of houses to replicate this. Some of the skills being used will be:

- Shading techniques
- Use sketchbooks to record drawings from observation

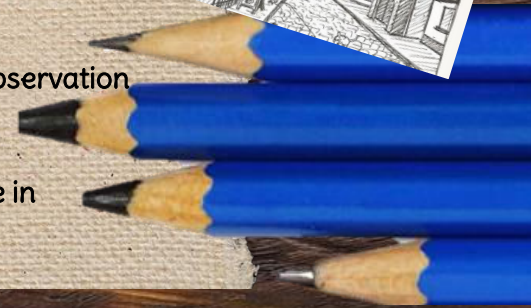
In DT, the class will be designing, making and evaluating our own bread similar to what was made in Pudding Lane.

Science



This term we will be looking at seasonal changes and how it builds up our year. This will continue throughout the year whilst observing Pencombe through the seasons. This will include looking at features of each season and looking at how the day length may vary as well as continuing our incredible investigations all about how weather changes in each season.

We will also be looking at living things and their habitats where we will explore what creatures live in certain environments and how they can adapt.



History and Geography



This term, the children will learn all about The Great Fire of London and the impact this had to how houses are built today. We will be making historical comparisons to streets, houses and fire rescue. We will be looking at the quick timeline of how the fire unfolded. Whilst looking at artefacts, we will be able to understand viewpoints of the experience through Samuel Pepys's diary. This will lead us to talk about the Gunpowder Plot.

The geography focus will be:

- To look at maps of the city and draw our own.
- To use this understanding to draw maps of local places



Enrichment

Our Values for this term are courage, responsibility, peace and joy all of which are key to our school outlook and aim.

We will be getting outside as much as we can and exploring the world around us. We will hopefully be having some visitors into school and venturing out to explore more black and white buildings.



Music

In music this term, we will be looking at musical vocabulary and using these components to create a short sequence of music.

We will study a famous composer and using the vocabulary (tempo, dynamics and structure) to describe their music.



PSHE

This term, our Jigsaw PSHE curriculum will be split into two areas; Being in My World and Celebrating Difference.

They will discuss hopes and fears for the year ahead, understanding the rights and responsibilities for being a member of the class.

They will explore that everyone is different and that we must be accepting of everyone.

Computing

This term we will be recapping our mouse skills whilst on a computer which will include logging in and out of a computer. We will then be moving on to internet safety where we can talk about how we stay safe online, who we speak to and what we post online. We will then look into how a computer works and its components.

PE

We will be starting with gymnastics we will be able to create short sequences using body parts and apparatus.

As part of our PE sessions, the children will be working on defending, attacking and shooting skills, to contribute towards team games.

How you can help...

- Please read several times each week remembering to ask key questions to unpick texts. Also, allow your child time to explore books for themselves that bring them pleasure and enjoyment by sharing bed time stories with adults at home. Practice spellings, as well as correct letter formation and joining.
- Use maths for counting money, telling the time and measuring. Practicing quick fire calculations and games is a great way for mental recall.
- Talk about the world around us as well as further afield, look at atlases, research different countries and find out new facts and stories about cultures.

Values of the term:

September - Courage
October - Responsibility
November - Peace
December - Joy