

# YEAR 2 NEWS



## Grove House Infant School

Welcome back! We hope you had a nice half term and are ready to start back!

Our topic question this half term is 'I wonder why the Great Fire of London happened?' and if you look on the back of this letter, you can find out what your child will be learning.

Please come and ask us if you have any questions!



Mr Wiseman 😊



#### I wonder why the Great Fire of London happened?

This half term we will be learning all about the Great Fire of London which took place in 1666. We will be learning how and where the fire started and the impact this had on London. We will also be recreating the fire using our own junk modelling houses.

### Class Dojo

Please remember to keep a look out on our Class Story on Class Dojo for all our amazing work we are doing in school.



#### Parent's Evening Dates

Parents Evening dates for this half term are:

Monday 31st March

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Sign up messages will be coming out soon, please keep an eye out for these!

#### <u>Reminders</u>

Please bring reading book every day. Make sure your child reads our lovely reading books regularly at home.

Year 2 have PE on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon. Please remember to bring a PE kit to school which includes, shorts, t-shirt, trainers, jogging bottoms.

#### Parent Governor and PTA

If you would be interested in becoming a Parent Governor or part of the school PTA, please contact the school office.

There is so much going on this half term!

Please keep checking the school newsletter for events and dates.

#### **English**

In English, we will continue to work on writing in full sentences remembering to including different punctuation, finger spaces, use our Freddy fingers to sound out words. We will also start to use more adjectives in our writing when describing characters or settings. We will also be continuing to use conjunctions and time conjunctions in our writing to add more detail and think about how we are starting our sentences. We will be writing in many different forms this half term; stories, recounts, instructions, fact books and diary entries. We will be using texts such as the diary of Samuel Pepys to explore the Great Fire of London.

#### Maths

In maths we will be continuing to solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems using written methods. We shall also be looking at problem solving, solving problems which involve more than one step to solve them and revisiting fractions. We will also be working on improving our mental arithmetic ready for junior school.



#### PE

We will be focusing on athletics this half term in preparation for sports day. We will be taking part in many different track and field sports.

#### RE

We will be focusing on Buddhism looking at the celebrations of Buddhist people and the stories that related to the celebrations.

#### Design & Technology

We will be making our own model houses and recreating our own Great Fire of London.

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#### Science

In science we will be continuing to look at the characteristics of a living thing. We will be using MRS GREN to help use to this. MRS GREN stands for: Moves, Respires, Senses, Grows, Reproduces, Excretes and Needs Nutrition. We will also be looking at things that are alive, dead or have never been alive and sorting these using the MRS GREN characteristics to help us.

#### Computing

We will be using iPads and laptops to create fact files and research on the internet what happened during the Great Fire of London.



#### <u>Music</u>

We will be learning how to express feelings though music as well as learning songs all do to with the Great Fire of London.

#### History and Geography

We will be looking at the location of London as well as how London has changed overtime. We will also be looking at the events of the Great Fire of London and ordering these.

#### <u>Art</u>

We will be using a range of different materials to create some silhouette art based on the Great Fire of London.