



## Class Newsletter

Year 2

Autumn 2018

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you had a wonderful summer holiday.

### Homework

An English or topic-based task will be given as homework on alternate weeks. Homework is given on a Monday and collected in and changed, two weeks later. These tasks should be completed in about 15-20 minutes with minimal adult support. There will also be a daily Maths Fluency question from the booklet.

### Spellings

5-10 spellings will be given each week. Correct spellings are highlighted and those not highlighted are to be learnt again for the next week. I will inform you of your child's group, so you will know which day their test will be on. Children will be collected early from the playground on their spelling day.

Suns- Monday

Moons- Tuesday

Stars- Wednesday

Planets- Thursday

Rockets- Friday



### Take-away homework

Our takeaway homework this term is linked to our Discovery Curriculum topic 'The Great Fire of London'. This will be sent home separately.

### Reading books

Reading books will be changed on a **Monday**. Your child will choose 3 reading books to read throughout the week. Please fill in your child's reading record with any comment you think is appropriate each time they read to you. **Books will only be changed if there is an entry in the record book.** A list of possible comprehension questions to ask your child is stuck into the front of their reading record.

### Volunteering your time

If anyone would like to volunteer to come into school in the afternoon to hear children read, please come and see me after school. We really appreciate any support from parents and grandparents.



## English

*This term we will be focussing on:*

- *Instructions*
- *Report writing*
- *Diary writing*
- *Punctuation and grammar*
- *Inference and deduction in reading*



## Handwriting

*We will continue to develop cursive handwriting. I will send a copy of this home along with some tramline paper, so you can see how to form letters. Many children have started to join their letters and children should always be encouraged to use their best handwriting.*

## PE

*PE will be on **Tuesdays**. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is at school on this day and that it is clearly labelled to avoid loss. Earrings should not be worn on this day and long hair should be tied back.*

## Snack

*The children will receive free fruit every day to enjoy at playtime. They should also bring in a drink of **water** in a labelled bottle for use throughout the day.*

## Maths

*In Maths this term, we will be working on place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, measurement and graphs.*



## Discovery Curriculum

*This term our main topic is 'The Great Fire of London.' Our Discovery Curriculum has a cross-curricular approach to teaching and learning, taking account of what the children know and would like to know.*

*At the end of the topic, we will complete a 'Champion Challenge', where the children will use all the skills that they have learnt to complete a group challenge.*

*Thank you for reading this letter. If you have any questions or problems, then please do not hesitate to contact myself or Miss Simpson. I am available to speak to parents after school, or if this is not convenient then please phone and make an appointment.*

**Mrs Vincent**