

Year 2 Chestnut Spring Term Newsletter

Happy New Year! This term our exciting topics will be '**The Great Fire of London**' and **Africa**.



In **English** we will be looking at instructions, recounts and repetitive poems and songs. We will also complete weekly grammar and reading comprehension lessons.

During our **History** lessons we will explore the Great Fire of London.



Our **Art and DT** lessons will link in with our topic where we will create fire paintings, 3D models of buildings and will design and bake our own bread.

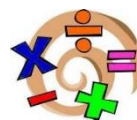
During our **ICT** lessons our topics will be coding and super sci-fi.

In **PE** this term we will do **multi skills** on Wednesday and gymnastics on a Thursday afternoon. Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit in school on these days including a pair of plimsolls or trainers with good grip and tracksuit trousers.



During **Science** lessons the children will be looking at animals including humans, how to stay healthy and our basic needs for survival.

In **RE**, the children will be exploring the questions 'how important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?' and 'is it time that Jesus came back to life again?' This will be taught by Mrs Pratt.



In **Maths** this half term we will be working on time, place value (estimating, counting and comparing), mental strategies for addition and subtraction, partitioning, grouping and sharing and measures and money. We will also continue to work on learning our 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables and using this knowledge to help us with multiplication and division. We will also look at reasoning and word problems for all number operations to get us used to these styles of questions.

Upcoming Events

Friday 28th February Year 2 Assembly

Tuesday 4th February Parents Evening

Thursday 6th February Parents Evening

Tuesday 11th February Internet safety day

Monday 17th – Friday 21st February -Half Term

Thursday 5th March World Book Day

Wednesday 11th March Science Day

Homework this term will be in preparation for the upcoming SATs in the summer term. Children will be set a weekly reading comprehension activity and Maths questions similar to what they will come across in the tests. These will be given out on a Friday and will be collected for marking by the following Thursday.

Spellings – These will continue to be given out with the homework on Friday ready for testing the following Friday.

Please encourage your child to tell the time regularly and practice their 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables. They should also be encouraged to go onto Doodle Maths (ideally daily) as it really does boost their understanding of Maths.