

Topic Title: Fire, Fire!

To engage the children, we will:

- Read a range of high-quality information texts and use ICT to research the topic.
- Take part in a drama workshop based on the Great Fire of London.

What the children will know by the end of the topic:

- How to keep safe and advise others on fire safety.
- What life was like for people living in 1666.
- How to find the answers to questions about the Great Fire of London.
- How the past influenced the way today's homes are constructed.
- The names and properties of different materials.
- How to use colour to create different effects in our Artwork.
- How to weave using a variety of colours and materials.
- Information about famous people from the past (e.g. Samuel Pepys).
- What helps us to stay safe including when we are online.

What the children will learn to do during the topic:

- Plot historical events on a timeline.
- Use different sources to find information.
- Understand the wider impact of The Great Fire of London (e.g. how it affected materials used for building).
- Sort and classify materials into groups.
- Find similarities and differences between different materials.
- Plan a test that finds out how to change the shape of solid objects that are made from a variety of materials (E.g. by squashing, bending and twisting).
- Explore hot and cold colours by looking at and comparing paintings by various artists
- Use paint and pastels to mix our own hot and cold colours.
- Write in role from a historical characters' point of view.

The memorable experience(s) during the topic will be:

- A visit to school from the local Fire Brigade to talk about the importance of fire safety (TBC).

To support your child's learning with this topic you could:

- Visit the library to find information books on The Great Fire of London.
- Use the internet to research about The Great Fire of London.
- Talk about the different materials used in buildings in the area (using language to describe their properties i.e. rigid, flexible, smooth, rough etc.)
- Visit the Museum of London and look at the Fire of London exhibition.
- Visit the Monument in Pudding Lane.

PE Lessons

2A – Monday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)

2W – Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)

Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on these days (shorts for indoor lessons and jogging bottoms for outdoor).