

Newsletter
Year 1 Spring 1
Mrs Ewart

Our Topic this term is 'Fire'
What will we be learning?

English:- This half term the children will be using the topic of 'Fire' as a stimulus for writing. Initially they will be reading about 'The Great Fire of London'. The children will be composing questions, writing simple reports and instructions. The children will also be developing their understanding of how to make nouns into plurals and finding out and using prefixes.

Maths:- The children will be counting in two's, five's and ten's. They will be counting forwards and backwards from a given number to 100. The children will be doing addition and subtraction number sentences. They will be developing their mathematical vocabulary.

Science:- Exploring the effects of heat on materials. Explore, identify and name materials and their properties contained within houses at the time of The Great Fire of London.

History:- Place the events of The Great Fire of London on a time line.

Information & how you can help us.

HOMework

Homework is a very important part of a child's education. It reinforces teaching and has a positive impact on your child's development and academic progress. Weekly assessments are made using the homework that has been set the previous week in preparation for new homework and the following weeks teaching.

However my records show that many children are not completing homework i.e. word books, sound books and reading books. The impact of not completing homework each week is that your child may not achieve their true potential. The homework that I set is a fundamental part of a child learning to read and write and they need practice and support to become confident readers and writers.

Homework is set and sent out every Friday. Please do not return homework books until a Wednesday because children learn much better in short sharp spurts. It is better to do 10mins every night and the children will stay focused. Children should read every night, be it their reading book or books they have at home and their reading diary signed and brought into school so I know they have read. Reading books can be returned at anytime and they will be changed ASAP.

Parents will see the positive effect that supporting their child with homework has. We need to work together for your child to develop and achieve. Your support will be appreciated.

If anyone has mislaid any reading or homework books please let me know by telephone message or send in a note and I will have them replaced.

Thank you. Mrs Ewart, Mrs Gates & Miss Cook