



Great and Ghastly Events!

Science

This term we will be finding out about plants. We will be looking at how they grow, what they need to survive and plants as food. The children will look closely at the differences between fruits and vegetables and have lots of opportunity to explore and investigate both during our lessons and independently through continuous provision.

In addition to plants, we will also begin to explore seasonal change. This will be something we re-visit throughout the year.

History

This term we will be looking at the Great Fire of London. The children will conduct their own research to piece together what happened. They will have the opportunity to use drama, writing and role play to share their findings. After The Great Fire of London, we will go on to look at other 'ghastly events' such as Pompeii and the Icelandic volcano eruption.

English & Maths

We will develop our writing skills by learning how to write non-chronological reports over the next few weeks. We will produce reports on what we learn about The Great Fire of London and diary entries inspired by Thomas Farriner. We will go on to look at traditional tales linking them to a harvest theme and will also learn about instruction writing.

Our Maths focus this term will be on developing our core skills such as counting, times tables and addition and subtraction. In keeping with our topic, we will also look at timelines and chronological order such as sorting the months of the year, documenting key points in our lives and making a timeline to show the events of The Great Fire of London.

Art

Mrs Brooke, our arts specialist, will be returning to teach the children art on a Friday. She will deliver a series of exciting and stimulating lessons based around our topic starting with The Great Fire of London.

ICT

We will be developing our research skills this term and will also be using programmes that enable us to present our data and findings.

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PSHCE

We will be thinking about trying new things and perseverance this term. We will continue to develop our communication skills and ability to discuss our emotions. Year 1 and 2 will have the opportunity to learn through drama sessions with Mrs Hylton. We will also continue to have daily 'check ins'.

Geography

Finding out about the history of London will lead us to explore other capital cities around the world. In addition to this, and because The Great Fire of London started in a bakery, will be looking at bread from around the world. We will also look at the world's continents and oceans and compare different places.

D.T

Following on from our world bread investigation, we will design some packaging for a loaf of bread. We will also make models of The Great Fire of London.

P.E.

We are lucky to have been able to arrange for an experienced cricket coach to come in this term. He will be teaching us a variety of cricket skills. We will also continue to have Coach Craig teach P.E. every Friday.

Music

In addition to preparing songs for the Harvest Festival and Christmas productions, we will explore music from around the world.

R.E.

This term we will be exploring what makes us special and also thinking about remembrance. We will find out about Remembrance Day and why we wear poppies. We will also be finding out about the Christmas story.