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# The Great Fire of London



## Year 2

# Spring Term 1 2022

Curriculum focus for this topic are:

History – British History

Design & Technology – Joining materials

New Technologies – Starting Research

Music – Creating & developing musical ideas

PE – Dance

# Glossary

**The key words they will need to be able to use in both discussion and their writing are:**

Word	Definition
Samuel Pepys	
London	
Pudding Lane	
Water pump	
Fire hook	
hose	
squirt	
bucket	
rebuild	
panic	
ruin	
escaping	
spread	
destroyed	
monument	
burned	
bakery	
baker	
diary	
explosion	
plague	
rats	

**Please help your child to complete the glossary and be able to use and spell the words. Feel free to add any additional topic related vocabulary that you think of.**

# **Over the next term, your child will be working on the topic of The Great Fire of London**

**They will be taking part in a series of exciting activities:**

- **Learning about The Plague and The Great Fire of London**
- **Finding out about Samuel Pepys and what life was like for him and others in the 1600s**
- **Investigating the reasons for changing the way homes and towns were built**
- **Making houses**
- **Learning about modern day fire safety and how we are more aware of fire safety in modern times**

**Your child needs your help and involvement!  
Please get involved by:**

- ☐ **Take your child to the library and get a book about the topic**
- ☐ **Discuss how different things are built**
- ☐ **Talking about fire safety**
- ☐ **Visiting 'The Monument' in London (Memorial to the Great Fire of London)**

# What else is happening?

## Religious Education

Most of our teaching of religious education takes place in separate 'mini-topics'.

## Values and Jigsaw Education

Each month, we focus on a particular value. The value for January will be Courage and in February it will be Pride.

Our Jigsaw theme for the half term is Dreams and Goals.

## Homework

Please support your child by making sure that they read on a *daily* basis. Please ensure you complete the half term challenge. Please look at the weekly flyer for more information.

## Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every morning 7.45 – 8.50am
Lower Site After School Club	Every Day 3.15 – 6.15pm
Upper Site After School Club	Every day 3.15 – 6.15pm

## Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	End of Autumn Term 2 – 2.15pm Finish
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Inset Day – School Closed
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of Spring Term 1
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	End of Spring Term 1
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Inset Day – School Closed
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Start of Spring Term 2