



FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Pound Avenue
Stevenage
Hertfordshire
SG1 3JA**

Headteacher: Mr Robert Staples BA (Hons)
Tel: (01438) 351053 Fax: (01438) 750116 E-mail: admin@fairlands.herts.sch.uk www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk

The Great Fire of London



Year 2 Spring Term 1 2020

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**
- **Fire Service visit**

**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 Education

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

Homework

Please support your child by making sure that they read on a *daily* basis. Please ensure you complete the half term challenge, which is due to be in on WB 10.02.20. 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
Skills 7 Football – Nurs to Year 2	Monday Nurs to Yr 1: 3.30–4.30pm Year 2: 3.30–5.00pm
Identity Dance (Ballet) Rec – Year 3	Wednesday 3.20 – 4.10pm
Mad Science –Year 1 to Year 6	Thursday 3.20 - 4.20pm
Games Library	Friday 8.30 – 9.00am
Identity Dance (Street) Rec – Year 2	Friday 3.20 – 4.10pm
Premier Sports (Gymnastics) – All Years	Friday 3.15 – 4.30pm

Forthcoming Events

Monday 6th January	Inset Day
Tuesday 7th January	Start of Spring Term 1
Wednesday 15th January	Primary Application Closing Date
Thursday 23rd January – 2.30pm	Elder Class Parent/Carer Assembly
Friday 14th February	End of Spring Term 1
Monday 24th February	Start of Spring Term 2