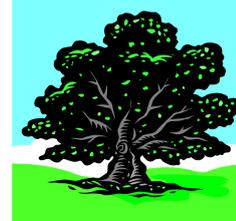


Woodford Green Primary School

Summer 1 Curriculum Letter



Welcome to Year 2 Donaldson Class – Mrs Venugopal and Miss Mullins

This term our topic is The Great Fire of London. The children will discover how the Great Fire began and what happened during it, whilst sequencing events on a timeline. The children will learn to extract pieces of information in order to piece together an event and draw their own conclusions, before writing a diary entry for Samuel Pepys. We will compare the different reasons for the causes of the fire and draw upon a variety of media to help our conclusions. We will participate in drama activities to help us write a report as a detective and consider how we can rebuild London to stop another great fire.

In Art we will be making a Great Fire of London scene, using marbling as a technique to create the background. We will then continue our Topic in DT to create a 3d version of buildings from the Great Fire whilst looking at the different styles of building from that period of time.

Our Science topic is Materials and their uses. Children will name and compare a variety of materials and say which is more suitable for a range of uses, giving reasons for their answers. They will also explore how the shape of some materials can be changed and describe materials that have these properties.

Our Power of Reading Book is 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. The children will explore the setting by drawing upon similes and metaphors to create atmosphere to the reader before writing in role of the main character. They will write diary entries to explore other character's perceptions of Iron Man as well as focus on writing in the role of a reporter to explain the impact of the main character, within a newspaper article and interview.

In Maths we will begin the term looking at partitioning in addition and subtraction and concentrate on the specific vocabulary related to these in order to solve word problems. We will then move onto Multiplication and Division and look at number patterns in order to complete these, in relation to the 2,5, and 10 times tables. The children will explore the properties of 2d and 3d shapes as well as recap fractions of amount and telling the time to the nearest five minutes.

In RE the children will be looking at Buddhism. They will be considering the Buddhist way of life by looking at the teachings of Buddha, as well as the importance of the temple and how the teachings help Buddhists grow towards enlightenment.

In Computing we will be focussing on consolidating the skills we have learnt in Logo, in order to draw repeated shapes and patterns by implementing and correcting our algorithms. We will then move onto Scratch where the children will create commands for their character and edit and improve their algorithms. The children will learn to change features of their character and consider different algorithms to include in their code to make their character complete a set of actions.

In PE we will be taught by Ms Surtees, Ms McHugh and our specialist teacher. Our unit is 'Send and Return' and the children will have the opportunity to develop skills in throwing and catching, as well as applying these skills to various net games.

The children will have PE on a Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure your child's hair is suitably tied back and earrings are removed on these days.

Bug Club

If you are unsure or have misplaced your login, please let me know.

Homework

Spellings will continue to be given out every week and Maths or English homework that is related to that week's work will also be given out on a Friday.

Please ensure your child's reading books are in their bags everyday as we read during the school day also.

Topic homework will be given out during the term.

Important dates this term:

KS1 Maths Workshops 25th April