

Topic – London

Our topic this term will be all about our capital city, London. In the first half term, we will locate geographical features such as human landmarks, transport and the physical features that appear in the city.

We then move on to our history topic—all about Bonfire Night and the Great Fire of London, finding out what caused the fire and how it changed the fire service that we see today.



Our Art project this term will link to this topic. We will be drawing landmarks found in London using sketching pencils.

Our PSHE topics for this term will be 'Connecting with Others' and 'My Healthy Self.'



English

This term, we will be exploring *The Smartest Giant in Town* by Julia Donaldson, *The Twits* by Roald Dahl and *Fire Cat* by Pippa Goodhart. We will be writing different genres of writing relating to these stories including a character description, diary entry, setting description and a wanted poster. We will also be writing a persuasive leaflet relating to our London topic and creating our own poem based on *The Magic Box* poem.

When exploring each text, we will be continuing to answer questions relating to the key reading skills (FIRECUP).

Science

We will be learning about materials in our science lessons; the uses of everyday materials and about the suitability of different materials for their purpose.

We will be setting up experiments over the term to answer scientific questions such as 'How stretchy is a Curly Wurly?' and 'Which material would make a good thermal blanket?'



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Newsletter – Autumn Term 2026

Year 2

Welcome to the Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter. This is a summary of the learning planned for the Autumn Term.

If you have any concerns about your child's learning please contact Mrs Luscombe or Miss Warrilow directly, in the first instance.

Maths

Over the Autumn Term, we will begin by consolidating some of the key Year 1 number objectives. This will give the children a solid foundation and build their confidence before beginning the Year 2 curriculum.

The curriculum this term will include calculations within 20 and adding and subtracting within ten, before moving on to adding and subtracting two digit numbers.

Towards the end of the term, we will introduce the children to multiplication.

The class will also take part in separate mastering numbers lessons to improve their number fluency.



Club sheets will continue to be tested each week.

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PE

Year 2 will have PE on Monday and Friday.

Our topics this term are Orienteering and Fundamentals of Movement.

Please ensure children come to school wearing correct red and black PE kits for both days and remove any earrings on these days.

We will be outside for these lessons so children are welcome to wear trainers instead of pumps if they wish.



Computing

Over the Autumn term, we will be teaching the children about digital literacy where we will explore technology around us, including technology in school and at home.

We will be discussing online safety throughout the term, ensuring children feel safe online and know who they can discuss their concerns with, as well as sharing top tips with parents and carers at home.

RE

In the first half term, we will be focussing on the big question 'Who made the world?' by exploring creation and how the creation story fits into the big picture.

This will lead on to the second half term 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?' We will reflect on the birth of Jesus and the significance of Christmas. We will have lots of fun making Christmas cards and singing hymns and carols.

Diary Dates

14.10.26 Y2 Eucharist
16.10.26 Y2 Forest School
24.11.26 Y2 Mastering number parent workshop
09.12.26 EYFS/KS1 Christmas performance

Year 2

Core Story Books – Autumn Term

Mr Majeika

by Humphrey Carpenter



We're All Wonders
by R.J. Palacio



The Worries: Sohal Finds a Friend

by Jion Sheibani



Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure

by Alex T. Smith



Ellie and the Cat

by Malorie Blackman



My name is not Refugee
by Kate Milner



