



# Newsletter

**Spring Term 2024 - Dove**

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**Welcome to Dove's Curriculum Newsletter. This is a summary of the learning planned for the Spring Term.**

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

## **Topic**

Our topic for this half term is 'Fire Fire' which will focus on The Great Fire of London. We will understand how it started and spread so fast, additionally reflecting upon how these events influenced change.



In Art we will focus on the work of Marianne Mitchell and will create an oil pastel scene of The Great Fire of London, inspired by this brilliant artist.

## **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

This term we will continue to understand our Emotional Literacy, by recognising our different emotions and being able to label them. We will continue to help our friends and others when they are showing a range of emotions too, securing our knowledge from last term.

## **PSHE**

Online relationships and Internet safety is our focus for this half term.

## **Maths**

For the whole of this half-term, we will be focusing on multiplication. We will be using a range of different resources and pictures to enable the children to develop their number skills. As well as Arithmetic, we will also further develop the children's problem solving and reasoning skills.

We are continuing to start each lesson with a short 'Fluent in five.' Please continue to practise the 2,5,10 and 3x tables so that children know them in order and out of sequence.



## **English**

In our reading lessons, we will read a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts about The Great Fire of London. Our writing lessons will continue to focus on writing sentences that make sense and we will become more independent when remembering our Brilliant Basics. This half term we will be inspired by Samuel Pepys and will be looking at the features of diary writing. We will then be writing exciting diary entries as though we were alive in 1666, using our historical knowledge from Topic lessons. Daily Read, Write, Inc will continue to take place so that your child's Phonics further improves.



## **R.E.**

During our R.E. lessons we will be answering the question: What do Muslims believe? To help us answer this question, we will be exploring simple ideas about Muslim beliefs about God, as well as becoming familiar with some objects used by Muslims and finding out why they are important. Additionally, we will find out about how important times in the Islamic calendar might make a Muslim feel.

## **Forest School**

On a Monday afternoon your child will be taking part in Forest School activities. Please send your child into school dressed appropriately for outdoor learning on those days. We suggest for your child to bring a coat and gloves, weather depending.



## **Science**

During science we will be learning about materials. We will identify different types of materials and consider their properties. Our observations will allow us to compare and group materials according to their physical properties. Our knowledge will then be used to identify and compare the suitability of different materials for particular uses. Finally, we will find out how the shapes of solid objects made from materials can be changed.

## **PE**

Children will be having a PE lesson on a Thursday afternoon with Soccer 2000. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit (including joggers) in school as it is expected that all children participate. Please remove earrings for PE lessons.

On Friday mornings, we will have swimming lessons as part of our PE. This will take place at St Regis School. All children are expected to participate.

## **French**

This term we are excited to introduce French to Dove class and will be following a programme so that our children can learn basic French.

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