



Peregrine Falcon Class

Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term Second Half 2021

Hello and welcome. I hope you had a restful half-term. Our topic this term is 'London's Burning' where we will learn all about the Great Fire of London through the eyes of people who lived it. Below is a brief outline of the exciting learning that will be taking place this half-term and some useful ideas on how you can help your child succeed. Your involvement in your child's education makes a huge difference to their success. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Mr Vokes

English

Our learning will be focussed on the book: The Great Fire of London Anniversary Edition in which we will be exploring the diary entries of Samuel Pepys and having a go at writing our own, imagining we were there. We will also be writing a letter to King Charles advising him on how to rebuild London. A reading of this book can be found on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PFtiTGsWCK4>

You could help your child at home by:

Encouraging them to keep a diary about what they have done over the week or to write an imaginary diary e.g., the diary of a superhero or spy.

Discussing the layout and words used in a diary.

Showing your child, the layout of a letter and ask them to write a letter to a family member explaining what they are learning at school.

Maths

Some of the things that we will be exploring include:

- Addition and subtraction
- Money
- Multiplication

You could help your child at home by:

Asking children to add and subtract with things around the house. E.g. Sweets, toys.

Giving your child experience of handling money and playing shop and calculating change.

Practicing Maths Minute Games and times tables for the 2, 5 and 10 times table.

Art

We will be making collages of the Great Fire of London in the style of Frank Stella. You could look at his art at home and practice collaging.

D.T.

In DT we will be investigating bread and making our own, just like they did in the bakery at Pudding Lane at the time of the Great Fire of London! You could try making your own buns at home and write some instructions for how to make them.

P.E.

We have PE on **Mondays and Tuesdays**. Please ensure your child has appropriate footwear on these days. This half term we will be studying dance.

History

We will be learning all about the Great Fire of London and the lives of the people that lived through it. Below are some useful websites you could show your child to help them understand this historical event.

<http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/samuel_pepys/

Parent helpers

I would like to extend a warm friendly welcome to any parents who could spare an hour or two to listen to children read in Peregrine Falcon Class each week. Reading is a vital skill for children which enables them to learn and progress and your involvement makes a significant difference.