Wren Class Newsletter Term 2

English

EYFS

In EYFS, we will continue to recap phase 2 sounds whilst also starting to learn their phase 3 sounds. We will support the children in both reading and spelling using phase 2 and 3 phonics.

KS1

This term, KS1 will begin the term learning how to write letters. The children will then write letters from the viewpoint of a fairytale character.

Our second topic this term will look at historical recounts based on our history topic of The Great Fire of London.

EYFS and Year 1 will also have a daily phonics session.

Maths

EYFS

Exploring the numbers 1-5.

More and fewer.

Parts and wholes (e.g. 5 is made of 2 and 3)

4 sided shapes.

Year 1

Number and Place Value to 100

Addition and Subtraction (7 to 10)

Geometry: Properties of Shapes

Year 2

Addition and Subtraction: Addition

Addition and Subtraction: Subtraction

Geometry: Properties of Shapes

Science

This term, we are completing our unit on Material Monsters. We will look at what different objects are made from as well as looking ta the properties of each of the materials. By the end of the unit, we should have enough knowledge of materials to create our very own Material Monsters. Towards the end of the term, we will be asking for donations of recycled materials to help with providing resources for the children to make their Material Monsters!

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History

Our history topic will begin with the events of the 5th November 1605 – The Gunpowder Plot. The children will look at the events and debate whether they think Guy Fawkes was a hero or a villain.

We will then move on to learning about The Great Fire of London. Again, we will learn about the events that took place as well as the reasons behind it.

The end of our topic will see the children creating their very own mock up of Tutor London. Again, we will be asking for cardboard boxes towards the end of term to help resource this activity.

RE

EYFS

EYFS will be looking at why Christmas is special for Christians. They will learn about the Christmas Story and why it is important. We will also look at how people celebrate Christmas!

This term, KS1 will be learning about what it is like to be brought up in a Jewish family within the UK. We will learn about how the day of rest is marked, what happens on Shabbat and the story of Channukah.

Art

Mrs Buse is very excited to share that this term we will be looking at various different artists, including Alma Thomas. We will be exploring different brushstrokes and creating a final masterpiece with our new learnt knowledge.

Music

Our Music topic this term is called Musical Stories. We will be using instruments to help us tell a story.

We will also be spending a significant amount of time learning and performing for our end of term Christmas Nativity!

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RSHE

This term we are going to be exploring how we should value everyone and their differences. We will begin by thinking about what makes each of us special and unique and how we can celebrate those differences. We will then look at what to do if you feel left out or notice that someone else might be feeling that way. Finally, we will look at the different ways we can show kindness and how we can solve tricky problems together.

PE

This term, we will have our main PE lesson on a Friday afternoon. KS1 will also have PE in the form of their swimming lesson on a Wednesday morning. EYFS will look at completing different multi-skills throughout the week to make up their additional lesson.

Computing

Children in KS1 will be learning how to use Purple Mash to produce digital art. We will look at recreating the work of various artists using pointillism, impressionism, surrealism and also use the work of Mondrian in our pieces.

How to help at home:

- **Reading** – Encourage children to read their school reading book with you daily if possible. Encourage children to listen to a bedtime story to expose them to a range of language.
- **Spelling** – Year 2 will be learning lots of new spellings this year and will be sent home with a worksheet related to the spellings they are learning in class. These will be sent home on a Tuesday to be brought back in on Monday.
- **Phonics** – There are videos on the school website to show you how to pronounce pure letter sounds as well as a section explaining how to blend letters into real words.
- **Maths** – By the end of KS1, children should be confident with their number bonds to 5, 10 and 20.