

Teacher: Mrs Long /Ms Osborne	Class: Class 2	Term: Autumn 1 st	Date: 8.9.14
<p><u>This term</u> Welcome to and welcome back to Class 2. Hope you have had a restful and relaxing holiday. I am sure the children are ready and raring to go with their learning this term. We welcome Ms Osborne who will be teaching the children in Class 2 on a Thursday afternoon and all day Friday. We also welcome Mrs Rainford who will be teaching the children both RE and French on a Tuesday morning. Our first topic will be 'Fire' and the children will be learning about 'The Great Fire of London' and 'The Gunpowder Plot'. If you have any interesting books, prints or artefacts linked with these topics, it would be great if we could borrow them for our classroom display. I hope the following information will be helpful with regard to your child's learning. Please do not hesitate to come and see me if you would like further information.</p>			
<p><u>Homework</u> *Spelling sheets will be given out on a Thursday by Mrs Long to be learnt for a spelling check on the following Thursday. (They do not need to be returned) Other homework is given out on Thursdays and due in on the following Tuesday. <u>Reading books</u> Please ensure your child brings their book bag on a <u>daily</u> basis so they can change their books regularly. Children will be responsible for changing their own books before school and recording the date and title in their reading records. Please sign the reading record when your child finishes their book and write a comment if possible.</p>		<p>PE: Monday - Fundamental skills T-shirt Shorts/Leggings Plimsolls/trainers</p> <p>*We may also continue to develop and improve our skipping skills on a Wednesday afternoon.</p>	<p>PE: Thursday - Swimming Swimming costume/trunks Goggles Towel</p>
<p><u>Literacy</u> <u>Narrative</u> Stories with historical settings <u>Non-fiction</u> Recounts/Diaries Newspaper reports <u>Poetry</u> Harvest Calligrams/Nonsense poems <u>Speaking and Listening</u> Live news report</p>	<p><u>Numeracy</u> Counting and number sequences Place value Addition/Subtraction Multiplication tables Time 2-D shape / symmetry Measurement - length</p>	<p><u>Topics - FIRE</u> Science: Changing states-Ms Osborne Art: Library decoration-Ms Osborne Music: Recorders/Singing- Mrs Long History: Great Fire of London/Gunpowder plot-Mrs Long PSHE: New Beginnings/Friendship ICT: Virtual stories and touch typing PE: Fundamental skills-Mr. Riches RE: Mrs Rainford French: Language skills-Mrs Rainford</p>	
<p><u>Help at home</u> Telling the time: Please encourage your child to tell the time both on digital and analogue clocks. Include questions such as - what time will it be in 3 hours...</p>	<p><u>Help at home</u> Money: Please encourage your child to recognise and use money in everyday situations, especially how much change is due and the conversion of pennies to pounds and pence e.g. £4.05 = 405p.</p>	<p><u>Help at home</u> Reading: Please try to read with your child on a daily basis. If they are reading by themselves, please ask questions related to the text e.g. what did you like? Who are the main characters?</p>	<p><u>Help at home</u> x tables: Please encourage your children to practise multiplication tables 1-12. These underpin many mathematical concepts.</p>
<p>I will send out a copy of our timetable shortly. If you have any queries or concerns about your child's learning or well being please do not hesitate to come and see me. I am always in the classroom before school, every morning except Friday.</p>			