

This half term in year 2, we will be continue our work on the Great Fire of London. We will use the story 'Toby and the Great Fire of London' by Margaret Nash to inspire our own writing, too.



Key knowledge and skills	Key vocabulary
History	London
We will continue to learn about the Great Fire of London.	Capital city
The Great Fire of London was a significant national event.	Past
It affected the rebuilding of the capital city.	Present
Many things were different in the past to today including transport, jobs and	Diary
buildings.	Compare
It happened in September 1666.	Record
It started in a bakery on Pudding Lane.	
Samuel Peyps recorded the events in his diary and this is an important source	
of evidence.	
Science	Offspring
Our learning this half term will be about animals including humans.	Reproduction
Animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.	Growth
In humans and some animals, these offspring will be young, such as babies or	Child
kittens, that grow into adults. In other animals, such as chickens or insects, there	Young/old stages (examples -
may be eggs laid that hatch to young or other stages which then grow to	chick/hen, baby/child/adult,
adults. The young of some animals do not look like their parents e.g. tadpoles.	caterpillar/butterfly)
Art	Form
We will be exploring sculpture using malleable materials this half term.	Materials
Kathy Jeffers is a potter and clay sculptor. She makes pinch pots, vases, mugs,	Structure
plates and dishes and wall pieces. She loves in New York.	Sculpture
	Sculptor
I can make roll, squeeze, pinch, press, coil malleable materials.	Artist
I can make shapes using malleable materials. E.g. a pinch pot	Clay
I can use different tools, objects and materials to make marks.	Modroc
	Malleable materials
Computing	Beat
Computing will link to music this half term.	Compose
Digital music is made using a computer or other device.	Note
You can change how your digital music sounds in many ways.	Tempo
One way is to increase the tempo of the music or vary the volume of each	Volume
instrument in the piece.	Tempo
Tempo is measured in BPM, or beats per minute.	Sound effect
R.E.	Creation
Our enquiry question is 'Why do people have special ways of celebrating?'	Shepherd
Our learning is all about the Christmas story. We will be working hard on	Angel Gabriel
our own Nativity, too.	Manger



In the New Testament, the story of The Lost Sheep teaches us that Christians	Inn
believe God is like a Shepherd who goes after those who are lost.	Gold, frankincense. myrrh
In the Old Testament, the story of Creation teaches us that Christians and Jews	Bethlehem
believe that God is the Creator who cares for all	Stable
Mary and Joseph had a baby called Jesus in Bethlehem.	
P.S.H.C.E.	Strengths
We will be thinking about our place in the wider world.	Interests
If you have a strength in a certain skill or area, this might help you with a	
career using those skills.	
Some people choose a career which is something to do with one of their	
interests.	

Other information:

- P.E. kits should be kept in school every day. Please make sure all uniform including P.E. kits is clearly
 named. Children should have blue/black shorts and a white t-shirt AND blue/black joggers or leggings too
 now that the weather is getting colder.
- Every week, children will bring home a reading book which matches their Little Wandle reading level and a 'reading for pleasure' book, chosen by the child. Children are expected to read at home at least 4 times each week to support their hard work in school.
- A short homework task to reinforce learning in school will be set on a Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday.

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