

Year 2 Newsletter

The Great Fire of London Was the Great Fire of London really great?

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic school year! My name is Tessa Shamy and I am your child's teacher for 2018/19. By way of background for you, I am a New Zealander born and bred and have been teaching in KS1 for the past 5 years. I moved to London in April this year ready to gain some international teaching experience. Any queries / questions / comments please feel free to chat to me either before or after school or, alternatively, make a time for a chat. I am really looking forward to working in partnership with you and your children over the coming year.

God Bless, Tessa

Days to Remember

Educational visit	T.B.C.
P.E.	Mondays and Fridays
Class Assembly	Tuesday 30 th October 9:10am



Learning to love, loving to learn

Autumn 1 2018

Class Teacher: T. Shamy

TA: Lisa and Jeannet

Homework

Homework will be given out on Fridays to be returned the following Wednesday.

Week 1 homework – RE based

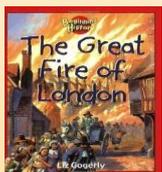
Weeks 2-8 - Maths and English.

Learning Challenge half termly project due back on **Wednesday 17th October.**

Learning Challenge:

In this learning challenge we will investigate questions like "Who started the Great Fire of London? Where did the fire take place? What were the main causes of the fire?"

In English we will read together the following books 'The Great Fire of London', 'Toby and the Great Fire of London' and 'London's Burning'. These books will help us to understand how the fire started and what damage it caused. We will use other non-fiction texts to develop our understanding.



In Science we will learn how to recognise and sort the different materials used to build old and new houses and explain how the properties of these materials changed when burnt by fire.

Values Education



September: Understanding

October: Patience

Please discuss these values with your child, identifying acts that represent them.

Reading

📖 Please read with your child for at least 15 mins every night. Spend time talking about the story together.

📖 Book bags must be brought daily with reading books and reading records inside.

Learning Challenge Event

Wednesday 19th October – Come and look at your child's learning so far!

How you can help at home

- 📖 Discuss with your child the things they have learned each day.
- 📖 Get them into a routine for doing homework. Provide them with a quiet area and regular time to complete homework. Check and sign their homework (Good preparation for Secondary School).
- 📖 Read with your child.
- 📖 Practise times tables.
- 📖 Talk about each month's value with your child.
- 📖 Read and discuss the "Wednesday Word" every week with your child.