



St Augustine's Catholic Primary School



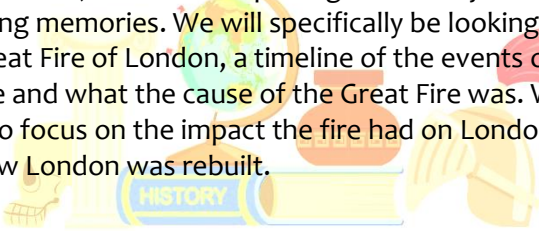
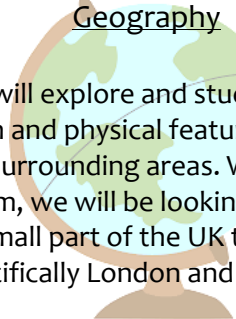
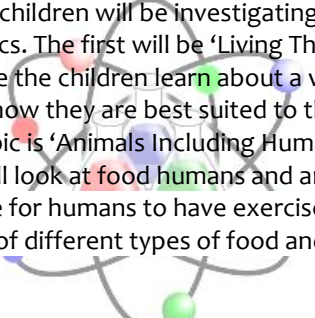
Autumn Term 2024-25 Curriculum Newsletter

Year Group: 2

Staff: Mr Robbins, Mrs Sawdon and Mrs Simpson.

Welcome back!

A warm welcome to Year 2 and the Autumn term. It has been wonderful to work with the children over these first two weeks; they are a lovely group of children. In these early days, we have been concentrating on establishing routines, building positive relationships and giving time to reflect on being back at school and together as a whole class. The children have also completed some back-to-school assessments, which will help to ensure what is taught is suitable for them. We have also enjoyed an 'Art Week' in school with the children producing incredible work in the style of illustrator and artist, Beth Krommes.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>English</u></p> <p>Writing - Within our writing for this term, we will be writing character descriptions, writing short stories, exploring poetry and creating and writing our own formal invitations. We will also be focusing on grammar and spelling to support our writing and reading work.</p> <p>Reading- During this term, we will be continuing to develop our vocabulary, expression and comprehension skills reading a wide range of fiction and non-fiction books as well as developing our inference and retrieval skills.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Religious Education</u></p> <p>During the Autumn term, we will be exploring two topics as part of our new R.E scheme of learning. These are Creation and Covenant, in which we will be looking at the story of Noah in the bible, different parts of the bible and the sacrament of baptism and Prophecy and Promise where we will look at the annunciation of John the Baptist and the preparation for/ story of the birth of Jesus. We will also be focusing on linking our learning to Catholic Social Teaching.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>History</u></p> <p>This term, we will be exploring events beyond our living memories. We will specifically be looking at the Great Fire of London, a timeline of the events of the fire and what the cause of the Great Fire was. We will also focus on the impact the fire had on London and how London was rebuilt.</p> 	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Maths</u></p> <p>In Maths, we will continue to develop and strengthen our number and place value work. We will also continue to focus on both Multiplication and division. Later in the Spring term, Year 2 will be looking at properties of 2D and 3D shapes as well as fractions. Children should also continue to practise their 2, 5, and 10-Times Tables regularly. The ability to recall multiples helps children across a range of mathematical concepts. To support this in school, we will practise arithmetic skills, daily.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PE</u></p> <p>In PE, the children will be building skills in a range of team games and working with a coach from MFC on their fundamental skills. As the term develops, we will develop our dancing skills.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Geography</u></p> <p>This term, we will explore and study our local area and the human and physical features of Coulbly Newham and surrounding areas. Within the second part of the term, we will be looking at and comparing a small part of the UK to a non-European location – specifically London and Nairobi.</p> 	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Science</u></p> <p>In Science, the children will be investigating two wonderful topics. The first will be ‘Living Things and Their Habitats’ where the children learn about a variety of creatures and how they are best suited to their habitats. The second topic is ‘Animals Including Humans’, where the children will look at food humans and animals eat and the importance for humans to have exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Computing</u></p> <p>In Computing this term, we will be focusing on online safety and ‘What is a computer?’. We will explore different computers and what the different parts of a computer are.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Art & Design</u></p> <p>During the first week, we have been drawing using work by illustrator Beth Krommes to inspire us. This term, we will also be looking at painting using a variety of techniques and tools to create patterns and effects.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Design & Technology</u></p> <p>In Design, we’ll be looking at food and nutrition, making models and also textiles leading up to Christmas. We will also be looking at designers who inspire our work.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PSHE - Health and Wellbeing</u></p> <p>Over the Autumn term Year 2 will be exploring four topics; Religious Understanding of the gospel of Matthew, Me and My Health, Feelings, Likes and Dislikes and finally, Beginnings and Endings.</p>			

Parents' Information Page

Meet the Team



Mr Robbins

Mrs Sawdon

Mrs Pilling

Here to help!

Please contact us at school (by phone) if you have any questions or concerns.

Homework

Homework will be sent home each Friday to be completed by the following Friday.

It will include:

- Spelling home learning task
- A set of maths questions
- A set of SPAG questions

Our homework will concentrate on building confidence and extending ability across key curriculum areas.

Stay in touch -

You will see how the children are doing as we send regular updates through the Marvellous Me App.



P.E-

This term, PE will be on a **Thursday and Friday**. Children need to come into school on these days wearing their P.E kits.

Reading at Home

Reading is the key to so many aspects of your child's learning. We ask that children try to read for at least 10 minutes every night. We realise that sometimes this may not be possible so please ensure it happens at least four times a week. Also, please bear in mind that one of the most wonderful things is to share a book together with your child before bedtime. All home reading must be recorded and signed in your child's reading record.

Children need to return their reading books on a Friday so they can be changed and sent home for the following week.