

Year 2 Newsletter



We have been delighted to welcome the children back to school for Term 3 and can hardly believe we are already approaching the halfway point of the school year! Despite the chilly weather, it has been a wonderful first week. It's been lovely hearing the children share their holiday celebrations and stories. We were so impressed with how they returned on the first day—focused, ready to learn, and quick to settle back into school life. They re-established routines with confidence and demonstrated such a positive attitude toward learning. We're really looking forward to the term ahead and can't wait to share all the exciting learning that takes place.

What We Are Learning

Reading: *The Thames and Tide Club club: The Secret City* - focusing on retrieval, vocabulary and inference.

Writing: *Rhythm of the Rain* - understanding what an expanded noun phrase is and creating a story map.

Phonics: /v/ words with the spellings <v> <ve> <vv>

Maths: Money - Learning about pence and pounds and understanding the best way to count an amount - starting with the biggest amount first. We also practised counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Science: Animals including humans - this week we were learning about animals and their offspring.

History: The Great Fire of London - the children compared modern day London and London in 1666. They found out that houses were made out of wood and straw, it was very overcrowded and houses were built VERY close together!

Art: Architecture & buildings - this week we have explored different shapes that can be seen in buildings.

P.E kit reminder

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. Although PE lessons will be taking place indoors, we kindly ask that children still bring warm clothing (such as a jumper or tracksuit bottoms) just in case plans change or the hall is cooler. Thank you.

Pictures for Science

As part of our upcoming Science learning about how humans grow and change, we would love to use photographs of the children when they were younger. Please could you send your child into school with one baby photo and one toddler photo, with your child's name clearly written on the back so they can be safely returned. Please send these in by Friday 16/01/26.

Times table practice

We are starting to use times tables more within our maths learning, and it would be very helpful if children could practise their times tables at home. Being confident with these will strongly support their maths understanding and help them feel more secure during lessons. Even short, regular practice can make a big difference.