

Year 2 Newsletter



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The children have had another exciting and enriching week in Year 2. On Tuesday last week, they took part in an important road safety talk, listening carefully and asking thoughtful questions about how to keep themselves safe when out and about. We were also delighted to welcome David, an architect, who visited us on Thursday 29th Jan to support our art topic; the children were fascinated by his work and inspired by his visit. Alongside this, the children are doing excellently in their reading, and we are loving the enthusiasm they are showing—particularly for the texts we are enjoying together in class. We would also like to thank you for your efforts to read at home; even just five minutes of reading each day can make a huge difference and helps the children work towards achieving their Apprentice Reader goal. As always, we are incredibly proud of the maturity and enthusiasm the children show each day.

What We Are Learning

Reading: *The Thames and Tide Club club: The Secret City* - continuing to focus on vocabulary and retrieval from the text.

Writing: *The Worst Princess* - This week we have used exciting adjectives and conjunctions 'and' and 'because' to build and write sentences to describe a character.

Phonics: /j/ words with the spellings
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Maths: *Multiplication & division* - We have started the topic by recognising, making and adding equal groups.

Science: *Animals including humans* - Focused on what humans and animals MUST have to survive - air, food and water. Other things such as shelter, medicine, clothes etc can aid in surviving but are not essential.

History: *Great Fire of London* - This week the children created their own GFoL timeline and learnt about how the fire was eventually put out using gunpowder.

PSHE: *Citizenship* - We spent time learning about the roles people play in looking after our school environment and learnt about our wonderful team at Loose who help to keep our school clean, tidy and in full working order!

PE and swimming kit reminder

Please ensure that all children have their PE kits in school on Mondays, as all three Year 2 classes have PE lessons on Monday morning. In addition, Aquamarine and Turquoise classes have swimming on Mondays, while Tanzanite class has swimming on Wednesdays. Thank you for helping us ensure children are prepared for their lessons.

Learning journals

If you have a message that you need a teacher to read in your child's learning journal, please ensure it is placed in the boxes outside the classroom in the morning. Messages written only in learning journals may not be seen on the day, as we are unable to check every journal daily. We do, however, go through the journals each Friday to count and record reads. Thank you for your understanding.

NSPCC Number day

NSPCC Number Day was a great success, and it was fantastic to see all of the creative number-themed outfits worn by the children. Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of enjoyable maths activities, including a number treasure hunt, sharing stories linked to number and shape, completing practical maths challenges, and logging on to Numbots, which they thoroughly enjoyed. We hope the children were inspired by the day and have enjoyed telling you all about it - especially those who are currently very enthusiastic about all things "6 7"! 😊