

# It's going to be busy in Owls and Tigers classes this half term!

## Topic: The Great Fire of London Autumn 2 2016

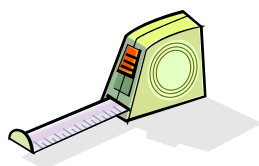
### Literacy



We will be studying and creating poems in groups and individually. We will have fun developing listening and speaking skills through drama before writing an historical report based on The Great Fire of London! We are working hard to improve our handwriting, making sure we use correct letter formation, capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks in our sentences. Also, we are making sure that we use conjunctions such as and, but, so, because to make our sentences more interesting.

In our spelling programme we will be working on Year 2 common exception words and spelling rules.

### Numeracy



This half term we will be looking at length, estimating and measuring with centimetres and metres. We will look at 2D shapes and continue to use addition and subtraction facts to 20 mentally, while working on facts up to 100 practically. We will start to use multiplication and division facts for 2, 5 & 10. We will also look at time, talking about hours and minutes!

### Topic



We are learning all about the Great Fire of London this half term. We will talk about fire safety and the modern fire brigade. In Science we will look at how materials can be changed by heating, and other processes.

### Computing



We are looking at computer games. The children will play simple games then predict and test how algorithms are used. We will consider all the skills needed to develop computer games.

We will talk about appropriate use of technology and how to use devices safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private.

As well as all this there will be dance, music, outdoor PE, designing and making, show and tell, a Nativity, a Christmas party and lots, lots more.

We are going to have fun!

### Writing targets:

To use capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks correctly in my writing.

To use conjunctions such as and, but, so, because to add detail to my sentences.

If you have any spare time at home, why don't you.....

- visit the library and read about 'The Great fire of London', Samuel Pepys, or changing materials
- Visit the bbc website to learn about Samuel Pepys  
[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/samuel\\_pepys/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/samuel_pepys/)
- talk about what happens if you discover a fire, and how you and your family can evacuate safely!
- read poems and talk about recounts
- look at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/maths/>

It would also be useful to practise writing the numbers 0 to 100 in digits and words.

Please help us to resource our class work this half term by donating shoe boxes for our design and making work, as we will be investigating and making our own fire engines this half term.

Many Thanks

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