

Year 1 Term 4



Welcome back to another busy term. Hope you all had a lovely break!

Our topic this term is 'Our Colourful Past' and the question we will be considering is: 'What can we use as historians to investigate our history?' In order to answer this question, the children will be travelling back in time via our Tardis and visiting different aspects of history starting in 1939 for World War 2 all the way to pre historic times investigating fossils and dinosaur bones.

This exciting topic will allow the children to discover and experience fundamental times in history. The four aspects of history we will focus on is:



-**World War 2**-We will be looking at this aspect of history from the perspective of a child evacuee.

-**The Great Fire of London**-We will be looking at this aspect of history from the perspective of Sam Pepys' diary. To get a real feel for this part of history, the children will be creating buildings of their own and in a safe and controlled manner, we will be setting them on fire! Please can you provide a cardboard box that your children can use to build their building.

-**Egypt**-The children will be building pyramids, getting first-hand experiences of mummification (fruit and vegetables) and creating their own hieroglyphics.

-**Prehistoric**- we will be exploring fossils and using our imagination to decide the story behind the fossils using our knowledge of prehistoric times.

To celebrate the end of this topic we would like to invite all parents in to our historic museum for an open morning in your child's classroom. The open morning will be on Tuesday 2nd April from 9:00 until 10:00. This will allow the children to share their work and experiences from this term with you.

As mathematicians we will be continuing to learn about place value to 50, counting and working with numbers to 50, addition and subtraction of 1 and 2 digit numbers and ordering numbers. We will be considering height and length as well as volume and weight, which we will investigate through our topic. We will continue to develop your child's reasoning and problem solving skills, focussing particularly on verbal explanations and proving their answers to others.



As musicians we will be considering music from different times in history. We will be recreating famous pieces using a variety of instruments and considering the mood and emotions that we think the songs express.

Please look at our topic webs on our information windows as these will give you more information about our topic and your child's learning.

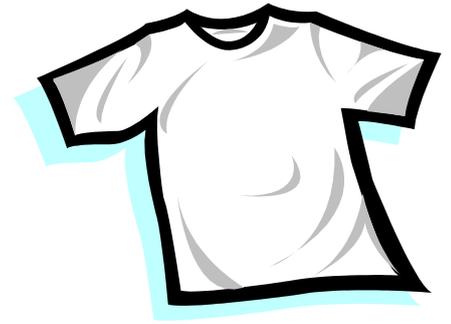
PE

Please ensure that your child has a **named PE kit** that is available every week in school, especially if they attend after school clubs.

Our PE days are

Monday and Thursday (Yellow Class) Wednesday and Thursday (Red Class).

Please tie long hair back and if possible remove ear-rings. Thank you.



Homework

We would like to thank you for your continued support including homework. We will continue to send home 'Words of the Week'. Please spend a few moments learning these words as the impact it has will be invaluable as your child progresses through Year 1.

Please remember we have an open door policy and you are welcome to stop and talk to us at the end of the day.

Thank you

Year 1 Team