



Townsend Primary School

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Dear Year 2 Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back! This term we are really excited because our learning will focus on The Great Fire of London.

In **English** this term we will be looking at poetry writing, narrative and explanation text. The class will read a range of non-fiction texts, identifying features of the text including index pages, glossary and title pages. They will also construct a glossary of words drawn from another curriculum area. The children will also find out how diagrams, charts, labels and captions are used in non-fiction texts and write their own explanation text about the Great Fire of London. Children will also work on the narrative around Owl babies, Fox babies.

In **Maths** we will be focusing on the following key skills: counting, partitioning and calculating, securing number facts and shape knowledge, analysing data and investigating measures and most importantly applying our knowledge of number facts to real life problems.

In **Science** the children will be taught how to

- Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults
- Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including animals, for survival (water, food and air)
- Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene

Homework

Your child will be given homework on a **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child completes this homework and returns it to school by the following **Tuesday**. Your child will choose their own reading book. Please ensure that you read with your child, discuss their book and sign the reading journal every week.

PE

- **Monday (Indoor)**
- **Thursday (Outdoor)*** Children will need suitable clothing and footwear for these sessions *

Trips and visits we are trying to organise:

- A local walk
- Museum of London
- East Street Library

Please ensure that your children comes to school with appropriate clothing, especially when the cold weather starts. Please make sure that your child's clothing has their name written in them. A laundry pen is available to use in the school office.

PPA

On Thursdays the children will be taught by a different adult. This is because all teachers have one afternoon a week out of class in order to plan effective lessons for the following week. If you have any queries please do come and see me.

Yours Faithfully,

Miss M. Tan, Bev, Sue and Charlotte