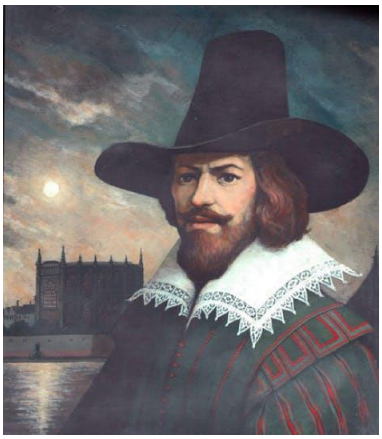
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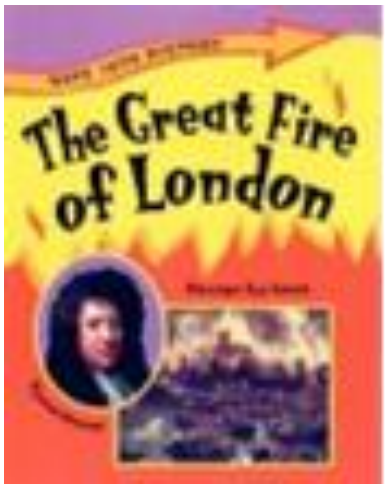
Welcome to the Autumn 2 Year Two newsletter.

This half term our topic in Year 2 is 'Fire'

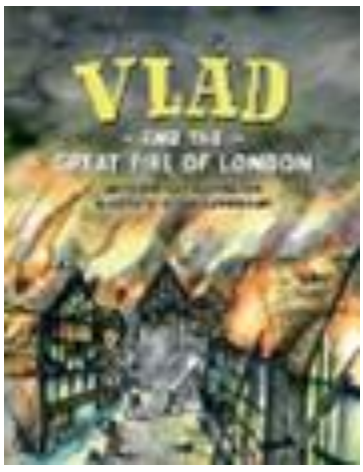
As part of this topic, we will be learning all about The Gunpowder plot and the Great Fire of London. We will find out all about who Guy Fawkes was and why he felt the need to try to blow up the Houses of Parliament. We will also learn about why the Great Fire of London started and why is was significant in changing the way we build cities today.

We will also have a trip to Bolling hall to learn more about the Great Fire of London. A letter with more detail about the trip will follow.

As readers and writers, we will look at these core texts:







Find a link to Vlad and the Great Fire of London here:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgBGgv4flp0

Questions to discuss at home:
Who was Guy Fawkes?
Why do we celebrate Bonfire Night?
What was the Great Fire of London?

Vocabulary to learn:
We will be using these words in our reading and writing. Could you practice these at home?
Plotters, gunpowder, parliament, protestant, catholic, possessions, diary, event
Readers

Please ensure your child reads their Little Wandle book at home each week when these are sent home. They will also have their library books to read. We encourage your child to read every day, even if it is just a couple of pages. This should be signed into their reading record. Please bring their book back each Monday morning. https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/

Writers

Year 2 - Common Exception Words

door	floor	poor	because	find	kind	mind
behind	child	children	wild	climb	most	only
both	old	gold	cold	hold	told	every
everybody	even	great	break	steak	pretty	beautiful
after	fast	last	past	father	class	grass
pass	plant	path	bath	hour	move	prove
improve	sure	sugar	eye	could	should	would
who	whole	any	many	clothes	busy	people
water	again	half	money	Mr	Mrs	parents

In writing, we will write some information about The Gunpowder Plot and then innovate the story of Vlad and the Great Fire of London. We will continue using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces as well as our conjunctions 'because', 'and' and 'so'. We will use how to use the conjunction 'but' too. We will revise what nouns, verbs and adjectives are and even learn how to use an expanded noun phrase. We will also ensure we work on our handwriting and that we spell as accurately as possible. To support with this, it would be great if you could practice spelling common exception words at home with your child. They can also use their spelling shed log in to access more spelling practice.

Scientists

In science, we are going to be looking at materials and their properties. We will test materials to see which would be the most suitable material for making a house.

Mathematicians

In maths, we will be covering addition and subtration. We will also look at money – recognising coins, counting money, finding the total and finding the change.

To learn more about your maths topics, you could access these resource:

To practice addition and subtraction:
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwv39j6

To learn about money visit:
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zp8dmp3

You could also use hit the button
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!

Thank you!

The Year Two team