



# Phase 2

## Curriculum Newsletter Spring 1



Pearl - Miss Alan

Amethyst - Miss Coker

Quartz - Miss Hartnell



### Upcoming Dates

**13.02.26** Half Term

**20.03.25** In school dental hygiene workshop

**24.03.26** Amethyst Class -at Royal Festival Hall

**27.03.26** End of term - 2pm Finish



### Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new term in Phase 2, and Happy New Year to all our families! We are delighted to welcome Miss Alan as the new teacher of Pearl Class, taking over from Miss Willis. This term, children will enjoy our exciting topic, The Great Fire of London.

**PE Days** - children come to school in PE kit on these days

**Quartz** - Wednesday and Thursday

**Amethyst** - Monday and Wednesday

**Pearl** - Wednesday and Friday

### The Great Fire of London

This term, our history topic will be The Great Fire of London. We will be learning about this important event through stories, discussions and historical enquiry. The book The Great Fire of London by Emma Adams will be used as the basis for our writing, inspiring descriptions, diary entries and imaginative responses.



### Key Vocab

diary  
timeline  
outbreak  
spread  
rebuilding

eye witness  
bakery  
chimney  
destruction  
Samuel Pepys



### Home Learning Opportunities



- Research the Great Fire of London and create a fact poster or mini timeline to share in class.
- Read regularly at home and discuss new vocabulary or interesting facts from your book.
- Practise times tables using games, flashcards or online maths resources.
- Write a short diary entry as if you lived in London in 1666.
- Create a model or drawing of a house from 1666 using recycled materials.

### Computing

This term in Computing, children will develop their presentation skills, learning how to create and share information clearly and confidently.

- Plan and organise ideas for a digital presentation
- Use text, images, and simple formatting effectively
- Explore slide layouts and design principles
- Add transitions and visual effects to enhance understanding
- Present their work to peers using digital tools



### Maths



This term we will be learning about:

#### Multiplication & Division:

- Recall and use multiplication and division facts
- Solve word problems using arrays and repeated addition
- Explore the link between multiplication and division

#### Fractions:

- Recognise and name halves, thirds, and quarters
- Compare, order, and use fractions in practical activities

## English

This term, children in Years 2 and 3 are learning how to make their writing more interesting and detailed. They will:

- Use adjectives to describe nouns (e.g. the shiny, red apple)
- Add expanded noun phrases to give extra information (e.g. the tall boy with the blue hat).
- Use adverbs to describe how actions happen (e.g. ran quickly, spoke gently).
- Experiment with conjunctions (such as because, when, if, but, so) to join ideas and explain more.
- Begin to use prepositions (e.g. under, behind, next to) to add detail about where and when things happen.
- Practise writing longer, more descriptive sentences while keeping them clear and accurate.

Through fun writing activities, stories, and short pieces of creative writing, children will learn how small grammar changes can make a big difference to their writing!



## PSHE

We will be think about 'Dreams & Goals' by

- Set personal goals and identify steps to achieve them
- Understand challenges and how to overcome setbacks
- Work cooperatively and celebrate achievements
- Recognise the feelings of success and persistence



## Spanish



We will learning how to greet our friends, say how old we are and ask our friends how old they are. Talking about our hobbies and free time. We will also be learning to count and name colours.



## R.E.

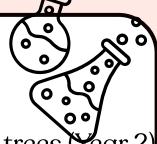


Children will learning about Christianity. They will learn about The Bible.

- A source of Christian belief and teaching – some Christians read the Bible every day and find it helpful for their everyday lives;
- The Old and New Testaments include many books with different genres; these include history, law, songs; Gospels and letters;
- The Gospel stories tell about events in Jesus' life;
- Jesus' teaching about the Kingdom of God in parables: The Lost Sheep;
- Ten Commandments with particular focus on the two greatest commandments.



## Science



This terms topic is Plants, we will be;

- Identify and name common plants and trees (Year 2)
- Explore the structure of plants, including roots, stems, leaves, and flowers (Year 3)
- Understand what plants need to grow and stay healthy
- Investigate how water is transported in plants
- Observe and record plant growth over time
- Growing a variety of edible plants in school.



## PE

In PE this term we will be learning Hockey  
Children will:

- Develop basic dribbling, passing, and shooting skills with a hockey stick
- Learn to control the ball while moving and changing direction
- Understand teamwork, including attacking and defending strategies
- Play small-sided games to apply skills in a match situation
- Focus on coordination, spatial awareness, and fair play



## World Learning - History

This term, Year 3 are exploring 'The Great Fire of London' – Children will:

- Learn about the causes, spread, and impact of the fire in 1666
- Discover key figures, including Samuel Pepys, and their experiences
- Explore life in 17th-century London and compare it to today
- Study historical sources such as diaries, maps, and pictures
- Develop skills in timelines, asking questions, and presenting findings creatively



## Music

In Year 2 children will be continuing violin lessons with Music Masters

In year 3 all children will have musicianship lessons with Music Masters and will continue to learn about rhythm, lyrics and looking at different tuned and non tuned instruments