# **Year 2 Newsletter**

## Middleton Parish Church School

## English Reading

This half term in reading, we are going to be reading a variety of different texts linked to London and The Great Fire, using different reading skills to answer comprehension questions.

## Writing

In writing, we will be using the story Toby and the Great Fire of London as a stimulus for writing our own recount as a newspaper report. We will also be writing a fire safety poster.



#### **Outdoor Shoes**

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



## **Science**

Our science topic this term is 'Would you wear wooden trousers?'

We will be learning all about everyday materials and identifying and comparing the use of different everyday materials. We will be learning vocabulary such as transparent, waterproof, flammable and flexible.



# Reading

## **Class Novel**

We have previously read The Twits by Roald Dahl and really enjoyed this book so we will be exploring another book from the same author this half term – Matilda.



## **Reading Books and GORead!**

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book, along with their vocabulary book, should come into school and back home **EVERY DAY** to maximise reading opportunities.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GORead.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on GORead alongside in vocabulary books.



#### **Contacting Us**

If you need to talk to Mrs Campbell or Mrs Jaztrebski please do not hesitate to send us an email. Our class email address is

year2@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional wellbeing and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

Eandl@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

# **Spring 2 2022**

#### History

In History, we will be learning about The Great Fire of London. We will find out about what happened in 1666, looking at why St Leonard's sent money to London as our starting point. We'll be considering why the fire happened and what changes we've made today to our fire safety as a result of this tragic event.

#### **P.E and Forest School**

P.E and Forest School is on a Wednesday for Year 2. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Wednesday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag.

#### **PSHE**

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't rub it in, rub it out'. In this topic we are thinking about



## **Religious Education**

In R.E. we are looking at Easter. We will be learning about why Christians celebrate Easter and the sacrifice that Jesus made.



## Maths

In maths this term we are looking at multiplication and division and statistics before moving on to properties of shape.

Children who have a quick recall of their multiplication number facts will be able to apply this to their multiplication and division learning.

To help children to improve their quick recall of multiplication number facts, please can you encourage children to keep practising their Times Table Rock Stars at home as much as possible. If you need your login details again, please let us know.

