



# Seven Stars Primary School

## Orion Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn 2022

Welcome to Year 2! I hope you all had a fantastic Summer break.

Our topic for this term is 'London'. Through topic work we will find out some facts about London now, the Great Fire of London, Samuel Pepys and his famous diary and also, the deadly plague.

Teaching in Orion Class this year will be Mrs. Warner. Mrs. Draper, Mrs. Melling and Miss Gardener support in class all week. Mrs. McDonald will teach in Orion on Thursday.

Please help your child to remember to bring their **reading record** and **reading book** into school to be changed on **Tuesday and Friday each week**. Please try to ensure that your child is reading **at least 3 times a week at home** so they can practise the skills they are learning in school and this will really boost their progress.

Please also make sure your child has a water bottle in school with plain water in. If you have any concerns or questions, please message me on Class Dojo.

Mrs Warner

### PSHE

This term we will be learning about relationships, friendships, family and respecting ourselves.

### P.E

Our P.E. lessons are on Wednesday and Friday. Please make sure your child is wearing a P.E. kit in school on those days. This is black trousers (leggings or tracksuit bottoms) white t-shirt and children can wear a school cardigan or jumper.

### CLASS DOJO

If you are not already signed up to Class Dojo, please ask for a log in as this is our main way of communicating with parents and children.

### ENGLISH

This half term, our main English texts are 'A right royal disaster' and 'Vlad and the Great Fire of London'. We will also be writing diary entries and poetry. We will continue to do phonics and spelling at 9am every morning **so it is crucial children are in school on time.**

### MATHS

In maths this term, we will be learning how to count in steps of 2, 3 and 5, the place value of two-digit numbers and how to partition numbers in different ways. We will also be learning how to use different equipment to work out addition and subtraction and use mental strategies. We will also be learning to recall the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

### OPAL

Children are allowed to bring wellies for outside play and must bring a coat everyday because we will be playing out.

### TOPIC

**Geography** - The children will compare London and Leyland and the similarities and differences between them.

**Science** - In science we will be focusing on materials. We will compare different materials and their properties.

**History** - The children will order events using appropriate vocabulary such as before, after, a long time ago, past to discuss the Great Fire of London and the plague.

**ICT** - This half term we will be learning how to create algorithms and how to stay safe online.

**DT** - In DT we will be making fire engines.

**PE** - In PE, we will be taking part in netball, invasion games and consolidating the fundamental skills.

**Art** - In Art, we are creating fabric art.

**RE** - God - Does how we treat the world matter? Jesus - Why do Christians say Jesus is 'the light of the world'?