



Seven Stars Primary School

Orion Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn 2021

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 Peyps and his famous diary and also, the deadly plague.

Teaching in Orion Class this year will be Miss Lemon. Mrs Draper and Mrs Stewart support in class all week. Mrs Walsh also teaches in Orion on Thursday afternoons.

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. This is due to the water fountains still unable to be used.

If you have any concerns or questions, please message me on Class Dojo.

Miss Lemon

PSHE

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

P.E

Our P.E. lessons are on Tuesday and Friday so please make sure your child has a P.E. kit in school on those days. Please make sure your child's PE kit has their name in.

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. Please be aware, that communicating with parents/cares on the playground should be kept to an absolute minimum in line with our COVID risk assessment and messages should be sent via Class Dojo instead.

ENGLISH

This half term, our main English texts are Vlad and the Great Fire of London and Bob the man on the Moon. We will also be writing instructions and a recount. 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.

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 and baking bread.

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'?