



Our theme for this term is...

# Hazardous History



### English

In Spring 1 we will be focusing on Oliver Jeffers. Throughout the topic we will read and compare his stories, exploring settings and characters before planning and writing our own sustained story in a similar style.



In Spring 2 we will be linking our English to our History topic 'The Great Fire of London'.

### Mathematics

In the spring term, we will be focusing on our number knowledge.



Rehearsing and beginning to recall multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables. Following this we will be looking at time, money and fractions.

We will also revisit addition and subtraction focusing on the formal methods.

### Science

- Spring 1 - Health and Growth. This topic will cover lifecycles of different animals and how humans change and grow. We will be carrying out investigations to measure and compare.
- Spring 2 - Plants. This topic will cover identifying parts, requirements and varieties of plants and comparing seeds and bulbs

### Computing

- Spring 1 - We are games testers! Throughout this unit the children will use Scratch to practise our programming skills. During this unit we will be particularly focussing on how computer games work by predicting and testing algorithms.
- Spring 2 - We are researchers! The children will be researching and collecting information about The Great Fire of London. They will use this information to create PowerPoint presentations and show them to the rest of the class.

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### DT

We will be investigating, designing and finally making cars during this topic. Our cars will have either fixed or moving axels and the children will evaluate their successfulness.

### History

During this unit the children will be studying the life of Florence Nightingale and looking at the changes she made to hospitals.

The children will be learning all about the Great Fire of London. They will develop their sense of chronology and consider why the fire happened. The children will also be learning about Samuel Pepys.

### PSHE

Children will explore healthy lifestyle including the benefits of physical activity, rest, healthy eating and dental health.

They will also be exploring and evaluating the use of technology beyond school, for example at home or in shops, as well as discussing the safe use of ICT.

### RE

We will be looking at why Christians go to church and why Easter is important.

We will also be looking at Shabbat and Passover.

### PE

Our PE topic in Spring 1 will be health and fitness.

In Spring 2 we will cover dribbling, kicking and hitting using different sports.

### Information

Homework grids will be given out at the beginning of each half term. Dates for handing in homework will be found on the grid.

Spelling tests will be done on a Wednesday. Reading diaries will be checked on a Friday.

Reading books will be changed weekly.



### Key Dates

**21st January** - Florence Nightingale visit

**12th and 13th February** - Parents evening

**17th February - 21st February** - Half term

**24th March** - Great Fire of London Workshop

**3rd April** - End of term

