



St Michael's C of E Primary School

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Year 2 Term 4 March 2022

Welcome back to school for term 4. We are halfway through Year 2! Where has the time gone?

History

The Great Fire of London

We are coming to the end of our unit of learning about the Great Fire of London in 1666. This term our focus will be on what changed as a result of the fire. We will be talking about the declaration of King Charles II and the modern fire brigade.

The First Man on the Moon

Three weeks into this term we will begin our new history unit learning about the life of Neil Armstrong and the 1969 moon landing. We will be using different media to research and discuss the past. We will learn about the astronauts who were part of the Apollo 11 mission and how space exploration has continued to develop.

Spelling and Reading

This term we will be practising how to infer from a text: how can we use clues to work out an answer to a question that might not be obvious straight away. We will also begin to read longer pieces of text to build our reading stamina. Our spelling focus will be on suffixes and how they can change the meaning of words.

Writing and Grammar

This term we will be focusing on writing sentences using adverbs. How can making exciting verb choices and describing verbs with adverbs improve our stories? We will also think about how conjunctions can help us to extend our descriptive writing. Our texts this term will be 'The Robot and the Bluebird' and 'The Man on the Moon (A Day in the Life of Bob)'. Our class novel is 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons'.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be learning about fractions and how to tell the time to the nearest five minutes. In fractions we will be learning about halves, quarters and thirds. We will even learn how to count in fractions. When we move on to time, we will learn to tell the time and how we can measure time. At the end of term we will also be revising place value to 100 and beyond!

Science

This term we will be learning about plants. In Year 2 we focus on the lifecycles of plants, seeds, bulbs and we begin to consider how seeds are dispersed by different plants. We will be watching daffodils grow, racing seeds and growing cress in different conditions. Hopefully, we will also plant

some seeds and potatoes that will be ready to harvest at the end of the school year.

Design and Technology (DT)

In DT this term we will be learning about different mechanical mechanisms. We will discover how we can design and make a moving moon picture using levers, slides and wheels.

PE

This term Year 2 will be learning ball skills on a **Wednesday afternoon**, and about flight and rotation in gymnastics every **Thursday afternoon**. Please ensure your child has joggers and a jumper as they will need to wear their PE kit all day.

RE

In RE we will be focusing on Christianity, how sacred times are celebrated and the festival of Easter. We will also be rehearsing for our school Easter Service to be held at St Michael's Church on Wednesday 27th March.

Jigsaw

This term our focus is Relationships. We will be learning about people who are important to us, families, and what we can do when we fall out with friends.

Computing

This term is all about computational thinking. We will be writing simple code on Scratch Jr to create computer games. We will try to debug our own algorithms and design games that are appealing and fun to play.

Homework

Your child will bring home two reading books each week. One book will be their school reading book and the second will be a book for you to share with your child. Books will be changed on a **Monday**. Spellings will be set each week on a Monday and we will have a spelling test every Friday. In line with our school homework policy I will just be sending home a Number Sense activity for maths rather than any additional learning. Please use any of the links below to find additional learning resources your child may want to look at.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zncgvk7>

- BBC English Game Karate Cats

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zn7bscw>

- Science Game Galaxy Pugs

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/games>

- Geography

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zf4sscw> - BBC Maths Game Karate Cats

<https://www.scratchjr.org/> - Computing

<https://www.gonoodle.com> - Wellbeing

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks1-the-great-fire-of-london-home/zph4g7h> - History

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/ks2-neil-armstrong/zr9tjhv> - History

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Year 2 Space Camp Evening

Friday 8th March 2024

British Science Week

11th-15th March 2024

Thank you for all your support
Mr Bailey