

Year 2 Newsletter – Issue 3

Welcome back

We hope you all had a lovely week off with your children and we welcome you back to what is a long 8-week half-term of learning.

Home learning

The term has started off well with many children bringing in some lovely houses linked to our 'Fire Fire' home learning. We hope to see more over the next week, as we will be starting our topic focus on The Great Fire of London during the week beginning 20/11/17.

Topic

This week, as part of our 'Fire Fire' topic, we have looked at dragons and the myths surrounding them. We have also drawn 'Here Be Dragons' maps and written directions for our maps that include compass directions.

Next week we will be looking at the story of St George. We will complete a fact file about England's patron saint and look at British values. As scientists we will investigate what materials would make good shields to protect ourselves in case we encounter a dragon.

Looking further ahead, as historians we will be finding out about The Great Fire of London.

Our music for this half term is 'Toys', (the musical focus is 'beat').

In computing, we are looking at coding and algorithms (a simple explanation of what this involves can be found at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/z3tbwmn>).

Coats

Please make sure your child comes to school with a waterproof coat. At break times we do go outside as much as we can, even with the onset of winter.

PE

As the weather is now getting colder can all parents please ensure their children have a pair of **jogging trousers** and a **jumper** in their PE kits as well as their usual **shorts** and **t-shirt**. We will be wearing the warmer clothes for our outdoor lessons, but children will still need shorts and t-shirt for the indoor lesson each week.

Lacey Library

The class visits to the library will continue next week. If you are available to help walk the children to the library, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please let your child's class teacher know. The anticipated date of the next visit for each class is detailed below.

Class 9 – Monday 13th November

Class 8 – Monday 20th November

Class 7 – Monday 27th November

Book Fair

Thank you very much to the parents that visited the book fair. As a result of all your purchases we have £296.50 to spend on new books for the school library.