

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Autumn 2 edition of the curriculum newsletter. You will find lots of information about your child's learning.

Our current learning journey is: '**Why is Bonfire Night significant?**'

The Gunpowder Plot

As part of our learning journey this half term, we will be aiming to answer our overarching inquiry question 'Why is Bonfire Night significant?'. To answer this, we will become historians and learn about the history behind Bonfire Night – more specifically, about The Gunpowder Plot and Guy Fawkes. We will be learning about who Guy Fawkes was and what happened in the 1600s. The children will develop their learning by enquiring about what the plot was, how it failed and what happened as a consequence.

Project Homework

There are a selection of ideas for different projects your child may like to complete this half term. On Class DoJo and overleaf you will see a '**Homework Menu**' with information linking to our new learning journey. The aim is to encourage your child to research and access homework for their own learning style. Your child will be expected to hand in one homework project every half term. Please see the Homework Menu for more details.

Exceptional Experiences

This half term we have two very exciting opportunities for the children which we are looking forward to immensely!

On **Wednesday 1st November** you are invited to come to school for our 'Stay and Make' session where the children will make their own Guy Fawkes.

Then, on **Tuesday 14th November**, we have our visit to the Houses of Parliament. Please see Class DoJo and previous letters for more information.

Weekly Homework

In the front of their planners, the children will have spellings from their individual spelling groups that they can work on at home. Then, every Friday your child's class teacher will set a Maths activity on MyMaths (your child has their own login for in their planner). Finally, teachers will check planners weekly to see how often the children have read at home – if they have read three times in a week, they will get a sticker and once they have 10 stickers, they will earn a star on their chart.



HOMework MENU

Our current learning journey is: **'Why is Bonfire Night significant?'** This half term we would like you to complete the following learning projects at home:

Research the infamous Guy Fawkes. Can you create a biography or fact file to show what you have found out? Can you incorporate some interesting facts about how we mark Bonfire Night today?



Use a variety of different materials to create a model of one of London's famous landmarks. This could be Big Ben, London Bridge, Buckingham Palace or a landmark of your choice.



Research artist Stephen Wiltshire. Can you model his work and create your own version of a London skyline? Or you could challenge yourself to draw the Maltby skyline.



The choice of task is yours, choose wisely and we look forward to seeing your projects. If you need any help or advice on your project, just ask. It might be a good idea to ask your grown up to help you as well.

