

### History- The Gunpowder Plot

In History, we will be learning about the Great Fire of London. We will add the date to our historical timeline, comparing where it is in History compared with our previous topics. We will explore how the fire started, how it spread so quickly and how they finally managed to put it out.

### Computing- Lego builders

In computing, we are looking at algorithms. Algorithms are a series of precise instructions. We will practise giving each other instructions, ensuring we are clear and concise so the other person knows exactly what to do.

### Geography- Human and Physical features

In Geography, we will be exploring human and physical features of our local area. We will sort them into categories and explain what each is.

We will then take a walk into the village to locate some of its key features.

### RE- Light

In RE we will be exploring Judaism and Christianity. We will look at the symbol of light and why it is important in each religion as well as what it represents.

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### Music- Everyone!

In this unit, we will explore rhythm, pitch and pulse. We will be listening and responding to some classic songs such as 'we are family' as well as singing and performing songs we have learnt.

### PE- Dance

In PE we will be learning creating our own dances! We will look at how we can move in time to music and sequence moves to form a dance.

### English

In English, we will be writing diary entries, just like Samuel Pepys did! We will use adjectives to describe the fire and London at the time. We will also be looking at non-chronological reports. We will use headings and subheadings to organise our work, as well as label pictures accurately.

### Art- Pointillism

In Art we will be studying Georges Seurat, famous for his pointillism work. We will explore his style as well as learn about primary and secondary colours. We will also look at tones and tints before creating our own piece of pointillism artwork!

### Science- Materials

In Science we will be learning about everyday materials.

We will be identifying, naming and sorting them as well as looking at the properties of each.

We will also carry out an experiment using materials. We will be making predictions and ensuring our experiment is fair before drawing conclusions.

### Maths

In maths, we are going to be learning how to multiply numbers together. We will count in 2's, 5's and 10's and sort objects into groups.

We will also be finding fractions of amounts and shapes; identifying equal parts.

We will finish the half term by exploring weight, mass and length.

### PSHE

In PSHE we will be looking at our dreams and goals and thinking about how we can achieve them.

### How to help your child at home

Reading is so important in year 1 and children will be sitting their phonics screening check at the end of the year. Please read regularly with your child and record this in their reading record.

Please complete the weekly spellings sent home. You can also encourage your children to write at home- maybe they can help you write a shopping list!