

Year 1 - Week Commencing 29th October 2018



Maths

We will begin the new half term by learning to recognise and create repeating patterns with numbers, objects and shapes. The children will then move on to applying this knowledge to help them identify odd and even numbers.

We will be playing games to reinforce this learning and using concrete objects such as counters, cubes and dice to help us create patterns of our own.



English

In English, we will be beginning a brand new unit of work based on the lovely Julia Donaldson book, Zog. This story is chosen as it links well with our new theme topic of fire and it is a great example of stories with repetitive patterns.

This week, we will be reading a responding to the story and getting to know the pattern which is repeated throughout the story.

Theme

Our new theme for the second half of the autumn term is called "Fire! Fire!"

One of the main areas of study will be history where we will be learning about the Great Fire of London of 1666. We will begin by locating London on a map, exploring images and virtual tours of modern London and then comparing these with London 350 years ago. We will be working on ways to help the children understand the passage of time and to appreciate what it means for something to have happened hundreds of years ago.

In art, the children will begin creating work on the subject of fire and fireworks.

During this topic there will be lots of discussion about fire safety and hopefully will involve a visit from the fire service.

Extras

This week's maths homework on ActiveLearn, called 'Beetle Bump', is designed to help the children practise adding or subtracting 1 and 10 from 2-digit numbers.

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk>

Your child should bring home a new spelling list today and we will test these on Friday.

This term PE will be on Wednesday and Friday - Wednesday with me and Friday with our sports coach, Phil. Please ensure your child has a full P.E. kit in school all the time.

Wednesday is Halloween and, if you wish, you can send your child in to school in costume.