Reading

During our whole class reading lessons, we will continue to focus on books linked to our topic. We will be developing our comprehension skills using VIPERS: vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and sequencing. Using these skills, we will then answer questions about what we have read in order to deepen our understanding and comprehension of the text. We will also be reading for pleasure in out lovely Reading Room.

English

We are using the beautifully illustrated book 'The Great Fire of London' to support our learning across the curriculum.

We will be making posters to persuade and warn as well as writing letters of advice and diaries based on Samuel Pepys' life.

Science

This half term we will be making the most of the good weather to learn about plants and seed dispersal. We will be planting some seeds to grow cress and will learn the names of, and label the parts of some plants and trees. We will also investigate what plants need to grow.

Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Suraiya Teaching Staff: Shanae, Suraiya and Vivian Support Staff: Heather, Janira, Lakisha, Lia, Maria and Sarah



The Great Fire of London







Mathematics

During this half term we will be revisiting time, money, multiplication and division. We will also be consolidating our prior learning of measurement, positional language and directions through a range of activities.

History

During this half term we will be learning all about the history of Newmarket. We will be exploring what different historical things have happened in Newmarket and how this has shaped Newmarket into the place it is today. We will also be making comparisons of past and present Newmarket.

PSHE

This half term Year 2 will be learning about relationships. We will be exploring healthy relationships within families and friendship groups. We will also be looking at the importance of appreciating those that care and support us. ΡE

Year 2 will have **PE** on **Thursday** and **Dance**^r on **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing a PE kit on these days.

In PE this half term we will be playing invasion games.

Dancer

In dance, this term we will explore movements to communicate the theme of the Great Fire of London. We will learn motifs and use images to explore dance making.

Music



The children will continue to read rhythms using crotchets, quavers, minims, dotted minims, semibreves and semi quavers. They will be learning how to read B, A & G on the stave. They will be learning tunes from different genres.

Supporting Your Child's Learning

Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis: both their reading book we have sent home as well as other books. Why not have a go have a go at completing super interactive online games? Your child has a login for SPAG.com, Times Table Rockstars and Mathletics to keep them busy.







Art

Year 2 will continue building on some of the techniques learnt in the Art room during their clay module in Year 1. We will learn about using some tools other than our hands and focus on trying to make specific shapes. We will learn about the Kenyan ceramic artist Magdalene Odundo and explore some of her fascinating and colourful works of Art.

DT

Pupils will learn how foods that are pre-made and processed can often be unhealthy. This block lets pupils practise skills and make food that will help improve their energy, mood and future health. We will also be creating our own model Stuart houses which we will then set on fire to recreate the Great Fire of London!

RE

During our RE lessons we will be exploring how we can share food with one another and what this looks like. We will also be identifying how this is encouraged through different faiths.

Computing

This half term, we will be using ScratchJr where we will learn how to code. We will also use and modify designs to create our own quizzes.