

Together we will master...reading:

- In year 2 we will be reading 'Toby and the Great Fire of London' by Margaret Nash. We will be practising retrieval questions and sequencing stories.

Together we will master...writing:

- The children will be exploring narratives and information texts linked to our history topic 'The Great Fire of London'.
- We will continue to build on the grammar and punctuation skills learned in the Autumn term.

Together we will master...maths:

- Year 2 will be learning about measurement including mass, length and temperature.
- As well as continuing our times tables and number skills.

Together we will master...science:

- This term we will be investigating what plants need to survive, including how they grow and reproduce.
- We will be using lots of scientific skills such as investigating and researching.

Together we will master...history

- Children will be learning what happened during The Great Fire of London.
- This will include how the fire spread so quickly and how we can prevent fires from spreading in the future.

Together we will master...PE:

- We will improve our athletic skills, including how to jump, run and throw for speed, distance and height.

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Together we will master...PSHE:

- We will be learning how to set goals and how to persevere when things are difficult.
- How to work with other people including group and paired work.
- How to share my success with others.

What can you do to support your child?

Practise times tables/ weekly spellings

Read with your child at least three times a week

Ask children questions about the book they have been reading

Encourage usage of Times Table Rockstars, Maths Whizz, Reading Plus and Purple Mash

Together we will master...Computing

- We will be learning how to open and send an email and how to use spreadsheets.

Together we will master...art:

- We will be learning about the works of Sonya Wilkins and creating leaf rubbings using clay.

Together we will master...music:

- We will be listening to, appraising, and playing along to music from the classic rock genre.

Together we will master...RE:

- Children will be learning about Islam and the importance of prayer in religion.

Year 2 routines:

- **Homework** – pupils will be sent homework on a Monday to be completed by the following Monday.
- **Spellings** – these will be given out every Monday and the children will be tested on Monday of the following week.
- **Home reading** – every child will have a school reading book, in a Griffin book bag which must be returned to school every Friday, a new book will be sent home on Mondays only. We expect children to read at home daily. Please ensure reading records are dated and signed by an adult. We log this at school and will be getting in touch if we need to regarding supporting reading at home.
- **Purple Mash** – Children all have a personal log in which allows them to access a range of learning activities at home.
- **Times Table Rockstars** - Children have their own log in for this APP allowing them to practise their tables at home.
- **Water bottles** – Please ensure your child has a **clear water bottle, containing only water** in school every day. This must be taken home every evening to be washed and re-filled.
- **PE** - is on a Thursday, PE kit will be provided by school. Please ensure children have suitable footwear. Long hair must be tied back, and jewellery removed. If wearing tights, pupils will need a pair of socks. **Children must bring plain jogging bottoms and a jumper.**

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