



# Grimsdyke School



## **English (Reading):**

The children will continue to practise and build on their phonics and blending skills applying these to their reading. Through whole class and shared reading children will continue to develop a pleasure in reading, exploring a range of texts and engaging in discussion to develop their skills of comprehension.

## **English (Writing):**

We will start the half term with a focus on poetry linking to fireworks and Remembrance Day. Students will be continuing to develop their fluency in writing through applying phonics skills, spelling rules and a cursive style of handwriting. Through studying the focus text, the children will create story maps, perform drama and retell the story using a range of grammatical features.

## **Maths:**

This half term we will consolidate learning about addition and subtraction. Then, we will then look at 2D and 3D shapes.

Students will learn:

- How to add and subtract across 10.
- How to add and subtract two 2-digit numbers.
- How to compare number sentences.
- How to complete missing number problems.
- Recognise 2D and 3D shapes and name their properties (vertices, edges and faces).
- Identify lines of symmetry in shapes.
- Make patterns with different shapes.



## **Curriculum Map for Year 2 (Autumn Term 2) Theme: Sparks and Flames**



## **Science:**

This half term we will continue to explore the uses and suitability of everyday materials. We will consider how the properties of materials make them suitable or unsuitable for particular purposes. Children will be encouraged to use first hand experiences to ask and answer questions. They will also extend their learning further by looking at how everyday materials can change form.

Children will learn that the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. They will also consider the uses of everyday materials in and around the school along with materials found in other places (at home, the journey to school, on visits.)

## **P.E:**

This half term, children will be focussing on rackets, bats and balls. The focus of the learning is for pupils to refine their understanding of how they can use their striking skills to send the ball into space in order to win a game. Pupils will understand why in certain games, hitting into space is essential in order to score points against the opposing team. Pupils will continue to develop life skills such as fairness and empathy as they work together ensuring everyone in the group or team is involved.

## **PSHE:**

This half term our focus will be 'Celebrating Differences'. We will be discussing different stereotypes and assumptions. We will be reflecting on the similarities and differences we share with the people around us. Children will be learning how to help someone who is being bullied and learn to solve problems with their peers.



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### **History:**

*This half term we will learning about two famous people from the 17<sup>th</sup> century and the events they are associated with – Samuel Pepys and the Great Fire of London as well as Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot. Students will learn how we know about these events from evidence such as diaries and witness accounts. They will learn about the sequence of events involved and how to place them in a wider chronological context. They will also learn about the legacy of each event and famous person considering how they impact on our lives today.*

### **Geography:**

*This half term, students will study our local area in detail. They will learn about the different uses of buildings in Hatch End and consider the different services and businesses that these house. Children will consider why certain services are located where they are and how they would access them. They will extend their thinking to consider and evaluate their local area identifying things that are positive as well as issues that need addressing such as traffic and pollution.*

### **Computing:**

*This half term we will be learning about digital photography. Children will learn to recognise that different devices can be used to capture photographs and will gain experience capturing, editing, and improving photos. Finally, they will use this knowledge to recognise that images they see may not be real.*

*They will be using devices such as tablets and cameras.*

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### **R.E:**

*This half term the children will be focussing on Humanism and Christianity. Our topic question is 'How Do We Remember People and Why?'*

*We will consider this in the context of Remembrance Day as well in relation to the Christmas story. They will learn the key events in the gospel stories of Christmas and learn about other days in the Christian calendar that are dedicated to remembering.*

### **Art and Design:**

*This half term, children will explore some simple mono printing using different techniques such as using oil pastels or carbon paper. They will learn about the benefits how printing techniques can be helpful when developing design ideas.*

### **Design Technology:**

*Children will be use different materials and techniques to design and create their own 3D houses linked to the Great Fire of London. They will be developing their fine motor skills and use range of materials and tools and evaluating their suitability.*

*The children will also be building skills in stitching and needle work to create their own piece of work.*

### **Music:**

*For this half of the term will be focusing on timbre, tempo, dynamics, pitch and classical music. Children will be linking music to the character of animals. There will be an emphasis on the use of music vocabulary and recognising changes in speed.*