



Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy

Spring Term | Newsletter



Oceania Class

Year 1



Let our light shine!

Welcome back. I hope you had the most wonderful Christmas and a lovely rest ready for the year ahead.

The children have done so well so far in what is an unpredictable time and I cannot wait to get started on our learning this term.

As always, please send me a message on Class Dojo if you have any worries or ques-



This half term's learning:

This half term our topic theme is 'The Great Fire of



Within the half term the children's learning will immerse them into their topic, through learning about the Stuart period, comparing historical houses to modern houses, creating fire artwork, hopefully having a real fire truck in school and reenacting the great fire in Forest School.

English learning objectives:

We will be continuing to work on our writing as a main focus this term; how to form letters correctly, leaving spaces between words, and using words to write sentences that make sense. When writing sentences we will be making sure we use our capital letters and full stops. We will be extending our sentences this term by using the conjunction 'and'. Within writing children will be focusing on non-fiction texts, exploring recounts in the form of diaries, and creating their own fire safety leaflets. We will begin the term with 'winter week', exploring the season of winter through poetry.

Children will be able to:

- Leave spaces between words
- Punctuate sentences with a full stop
- Start their sentence with a capital letter
- Extend their sentences using the conjunction 'and'.

Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by

- Learning to hold a pencil correctly
- Daily handwriting sessions to develop our handwriting
- Writing for different purposes

In reading children will:

- Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding.
- Read non-fiction texts and discuss these
- Discuss and clarify the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary
- Discuss the sequence of events in books to support writing our recounts

In **phonics** children will continue our Phonics scheme to learn new sounds.

Please feel free to use the website [Phonics Play at home](#). We love the game 'Buried Treasure!'.

Math's learning objectives:

Within Math's the children will be looking at number.

- Number: Place Value (Within 20)
- Number: Addition and Subtraction (to 20)
- Number: Place Value (Within 50)
- Measurement: Length and Height/Weight and Volume

Science

We be will learning about the season winter, baking bread and exploring and planting spring plants.

Art

Sketches comparing historical/modern buildings

Paint/oil pastels: Fire Pictures linked to topic

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We will completing a unit based around comparing historical and modern buildings and the changes in materials to make houses safer. We will build our own Stuart houses and have our own 'Great Fire of Shipdham!' in Forest School.

Computing

We will be continuing our Purple Mash scheme of work, focusing on grouping and sorting, pictograms and Lego builder.

Music

Music lessons will be provided by the Norfolk Music Hub.

PE

We will be playing lots of different games in sessions run by Miss Creaves.

Our PE day will be **Wednesday** please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit.

