

ST LAWRENCE C E PRIMARY SCHOOL

**YEAR 2
CURRICULUM
OUTLINE**

Autumn Term 2018

Fire and Ice



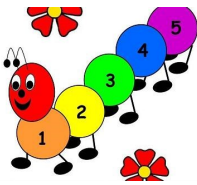
Our topic this term is "Fire and Ice". Our stunning start will be our whole school Time Travel Day and our fabulous finish will be a Guy Fawkes Day.



Literacy

During our fire topic we will cover a variety of genre including stories, diaries and biographies. Our main text will be The Firebird, a Russian folk tale. In the second half of term, we will be reading The Polar Bear Son and writing about the environment in Alaska.

Maths



We will start the term by practising number bonds to 10, counting forwards and backwards from 0-100 and will move on to learning about place value (ie knowing that the number 23 is made up of '20' and '3'). Calculation will be taught in the context of our topic, including real-life problems. The children will be given a series of mathematical challenges based on our key texts.

Science

We will be learning about materials and the suitability of materials for their function, and investigating how materials can be changed.

ICT

We will be teaching the children how text can be entered and corrected using a word processing programme. The children will then be learning how to select and use tools for creating images within a text. Later on in the term, we will be programming using Scratch to create a short animation/game.

Geography

We will be finding out about the Inuit people, polar animals and living conditions in Alaska. We will make simple comparisons between Alaska and the UK.



History

We will be learning about the Great Fire of London! In order to develop a sense of chronology, we will order the events of the Great Fire of London and write a diary in the role of Samuel Pepys. We will be making comparisons between life in 1666 and now.

Art/Design & Technology

Using a variety of media the children will create fire pictures and in Design Technology produce food that requires heating and cooling.



RE

We will be exploring new ways to pray and creating a whole-school collage of the Bible. We will also be exploring what happens in a synagogue.

PSHCE

We will focus on our school values and discuss how to distinguish between right and wrong. We will be learning about fire safety.



Music

This term we will be singing in a round and composing our own version of London's Burning using graphics and sound effects.

PE

We will be creating a firebird dance and learning rolls and balances in gym. We will play a variety of invasion games focusing on attacking, defending and ball skills in our games sessions. Children should bring a named PE kit to school, suitable for working outside in cold weather as the term progresses.

PE days are as follows:

Outdoor games - Thursday (1st half-term)

Gymnastics - Wednesday (2nd half term)

Swimming - Tuesday (Sycamore) Wednesday (Chestnut/Willow)

Learning at Home

The partnership between home and school is vital to your child's learning. Please encourage your child to read and practise number skills every day. In addition there will be creative and investigative tasks set. Home learning will be set each Friday to be handed in by the following Thursday. We welcome parent helpers to come in to read with the children. **It would be very helpful if all pupils could have a St Lawrence book bag for their reading journal, reading book and learning at home book.**

Dates for Your Diary

<i>Monday 10 September</i>	2.30 Curriculum meeting for parents
<i>Monday 17 September</i>	School clubs begin
<i>Thursday 27 September</i>	Open day (Hurst Festival)
<i>Monday 1 October</i>	Individual school photographs
<i>Wednesday 3 October</i>	8.50-9.15 Whole school 'Stay and Learn together' for parents
<i>Wed 3-Tues 9 October</i>	3.15 Book fair
<i>Friday 5 October</i>	Harvest Festival services in church
<i>Wednesday 10 October</i>	8.50 SEN coffee morning
<i>Monday 15 October</i>	Green Day
<i>Tuesday 16 October</i>	7.00 Curriculum evening for parents (grammar and punctuation)
<i>Wednesday 17 October</i>	9.10 Curriculum morning for parents (grammar and punctuation)
<i>Tuesday 6 November</i>	5.30 Parent consultations
<i>Thursday 8 November</i>	3.30 Parent consultations
<i>Tuesday 20 November</i>	8.50 SEN coffee morning
<i>Thursday 22 November</i>	8.50-9.15 Whole school 'Stay and Learn together' for parents
<i>Saturday 1 December</i>	PTA Christmas bazaar
<i>Friday 7 December</i>	School clubs finish
<i>Thursday 13 December</i>	2.00 Nativity service

For your information Mrs Bartram, Mrs McGowan and Mrs Holmes will take the year group on a Friday afternoon.

**We would like to thank you
for your continued support and co-operation**