Topic - The Great Fire of London

History – We will be looking at the great fire of London

Geography – We will be using maps to look at the United Kingdom, with a specific focus on London.

DT – We will be doing some baking of our own, as well as creating our own Pudding Lane.

Art – We will be using tissue paper to recreate Pudding Lane. We will also be using our sketch books to design or own products to bake.

Maths

This year the Squirrels will be starting Maths Mastery which is made up of all the topics to be covered in the curriculum.

The topics being covered this half term will be:

- Numbers within 10
- Adding and subtracting within 10

As a team we will be acquiring a clear grasp of where they are and what we need to do to move them on to the next stage.

English

For English this half term we will be using the Scheme Talk 4 Writing to deliver Fiction and Non-Fiction texts. This scheme involves using images and actions to be able to retell a piece of text.

The texts being:

- Poetry: Show and Tell
- Fiction: Goldilocks and The Three Bears
- Non-Fiction: Discussion Should we arrest Goldilocks?

We will also be concentrating on the use of capital letters, sentences, Proper and Common Nouns.

Reading this year for the Squirrels class is essential as it really does have a huge impact on their learning throughout the curriculum, specifically with their writing and phonics. Please do support your child to ensure that they read daily, and that you sign their planner to evidence this.

Curriculum

Map - Squirrels

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ClassDojo

We are using Class Dojo this year. Each child should have a log in so they can adapt their character and parent codes have also been sent home. The parent codes are for you to create an account and receive weekly reports on the points your child has been receiving in class. If you have a smartphone there is also a Class Dojo app you can download completely free! This system is running alongside the school's 'Glemsford Scales' system.

Homework

The children will be receiving a little bit of homework every week for them to complete as best they can, this will include:

- Maths: Number bonds
- Reading: I would encourage all children to read something every evening. I will be looking at reading records regularly and awarding points for keen and enthusiastic readers and there will be a prize given weekly.
- Spellings: The children will be given a block of spellings. These will come in the form of handwriting practise this term.
- Literacy Planet or Sumdog, alternating weeks.

PE is an important part of your child's education, so please make sure their kit is in school every week. Earrings must be taken out to participate! **PE day: Monday and Thursday**