

VALENCE PRIMARY SCHOOL Half-termly Curriculum Plan

THEME: Who are these Great People and what are these Great Events?

HOMEWORK

Spellings will be sent home weekly. Please practise these in your child's homework book.

Please read with your child every night and sign their diary. This is monitored by the class teacher.

Complete one piece of homework from the Pick n Mix menu per week. Either upload photos to class dojo or complete the work in your child's homework book.

Homework will be sent home on a Tuesday, to be returned the following Monday.

PE

Please ensure children have their PE kits in school every day. No earrings and long hair tied back. This half term we will be covering football and athletics.

RE

In R.E. we will be looking at 'Why are different books special for different people?' We will be learning about different books from a range of religions and why these are so special for different people.

SCIENCE

Our theme this half term is: Can all Materials change shape? We will be investigating a variety of different materials. Observing using simple equipment and describing what we have found out. We will explore pushing, pulling, stretching, squashing, twisting and many other effects upon these materials.

LITERACY

During this half term, Year 2 will be reading non-fiction texts on the Great Fire of London.

The children will learn the events that led up to the fire starting, how it continued to burn and how it eventually was stopped. The children will sequence the events of the fire and write a newspaper report explaining what happened.

We will also be looking in more detail at Samuel Pepys and the role he played in recording the details of the Great Fire. The children will then be writing a diary entry as Samuel Pepys.

We will continue to practise our phonics every day. Learning how to segment and blend sounds to improve our reading and spelling skills.

HISTORY

During our study of 'Great People Great Events' the children will have the opportunity to look at the historical event of 'The Great Fire of London' with an emphasis on Samuel Pepys and his part in how we are able to find out about the past. The children will be looking at primary sources for research and answering questions about the fire.

We will learn about the impact of this event on our lives today, for example the effect on housing and emergency services today.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be celebrating differences. We will be looking at breaking stereotypes of boys and girls and learning about friendships; how to make them, how to keep them and how to recognise and stand up to bullying.

MATHS

This half term we will be adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers using a variety of manipulatives such as dienes, tens frames and number lines, as well as finding missing numbers.

We will also be introducing multiplication. This will be done by looking at grouping in equal amounts and representing multiplication as repeated addition.

During our Mastering Numbers sessions, we will be continuing to look at the composition of numbers 6-10 and the quantity that numbers represent.

CREATIVE ARTS

Art

During this half term, the children will be creating artwork to replicate The Great Fire of London. Nearer towards Christmas, we will make Christmas cards and festive decorations.

Music

This term we will be learning and rehearsing songs for our Christmas production.

COMPUTING

This half term our topic is 'Digital Photography'. The children will learn to recognise that different devices can be used to capture photographs and will gain experience capturing, editing and improving photos. They will use this knowledge to recognise that images they see may not be real.