

Autumn 1 2024 Year 2



The Hungry Caterpillar Class

Reading volunteers

We would absolutely love to welcome any volunteers to come in and listen to some children read throughout the week. This offers invaluable time for the children. If you feel that you could offer support in this – please speak to myself or pass a message through the school office.

Dates for your diary

5th Sept – Back to School

20th Sept - 3.30pm Welcome to Y2 parents meeting

22nd Oct and 24th Oct – Parent/carer consultations

This term's value is **Love**

Welcome to Year 2 - Hungry Caterpillar class! I am really looking forward to the year ahead with all of you. I hope you have had a wonderful and restful summer and are ready for our busy half term.

This half term we will be historians looking into the evidence that we can use to find out about the past. Our big question is '**Why do we remember the Great Fire of London?**' We will be investigating and sequencing the events which resulted in the Great Fire of London. We will be looking at the significant historical figures of the time and learning about the changes that came about as a result of the fire.

As scientists we will develop our knowledge about materials, thinking about why the Great Fire spread and how the materials used to build with have changed. London has some beautiful architecture, which we will look at more closely and the suitability of the materials. Having learned about the danger of fire, we will then - with help from the Fire Service - learn how to keep ourselves safe.

Class Organisation

P.E.: P.E. will be taught every Monday and Thursday afternoon. Please come to school in the correct kit.

Library: Children will access the school library once a week

Home learning – A home learning task will be sent out each week on a **Monday** and should be returned no later than the following **Monday**.

Spellings will be added to children's home school diary and will be tested every **Monday**.

How you can help at home

Please ensure you hear your child read at least **3** times a week. This can be school book-banded books or library books.

Encourage independence, fluency and ask children questions to develop comprehension. Answering in full sentences helps them to develop their vocabulary.

We will also be introducing TTRockstars, which is a great programme to support timetables – which can be accessed at home.