

Year 2  
Spring term  
2025

# Monarchy and The Great Fire of London

Why was the fire so damaging?  
Which monarch will be remembered most in history? Why?

## RE

In year 2, we will be exploring the idea of thankfulness. We will be looking at how the Christian and Jewish community both say thank you and how they celebrate the harvest. We will also be planning a special project for our local community.

## Computing

In computing this term, we will be exploring spreadsheets. During these lessons we will learn how to make a spreadsheet, generate graphs and input information. We will also be exploring how to present different information using quizzes, stories and leaflets.

## Science

This term we will be learning about plants. During our lessons we will be looking at how plants grow and what they need to grow. We will be working scientifically, planning and conducting our own experiments, exploring the conditions for perfect plant growth.

## Special days

**Wow Day** – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January  
**History workshop** – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January  
**Internet Safety Day** – 11.2.25

## PHSE

We will be following the scheme Zippy's Friends. We will explore how to manage our emotions and support our friends. We will be learning about money and how to keep it safe.

## History

We will begin by exploring some of the famous monarchs who have reigned in England. We will then dive deeper into the reign of King Charles II and the events of the Great Fire of London. Who was Samuel Pepys? Why did the Great fire of London start?

## Art/ DT

Art- In art we will be using clay to model into tiles. We will use a range of modelling techniques to develop a final piece.

DT- In DT we will be focusing on preparing and chopping vegetables. We will be making delicious vegetable skewers

## PE

In PE we are going to be working with Lincoln City foundation who will be coming in to deliver one of our PE lessons. During this session, they will be teaching the children the skills of gymnastics, focusing on balance and travel.

In our second PE session we will be looking at jumping and landing and learning how we use our bodies to balance.

## Values

Spring 1 – Our first value is friendship and forgiveness. We will be exploring what friendship is and how Jesus showed friendship in the bible. We will link this with showing forgiveness and discuss what forgiveness means.  
Spring 2 – Our second value is justice. During our values lessons we will think about what justice is and how we can show it. We will discuss the difference between being fair and showing justice, linking it with stories from the bible.

## Music

Spring 1 – During our music lessons, we are going to explore call and response songs. We will be clapping different rhythms and practice layering up different sounds.

Spring 2 – In the second term, we will be exploring different instruments and how they are used to make different sounds. We will learn about tempo and dynamics and how instruments can make different sound effects.

## How to help at home:

1. Please make sure your child reads to an adult at home as much as possible. You can use the reading record provided to make notes of your reading activities.
2. Please also help and encourage your child to practice their weekly phonics and spellings patterns – please look back over previous weeks too so we can ensure these are not forgotten!
3. We would love to hear about or see any additional reading or research linked to our topics or learning. Please share with us anything extra you do at home.
4. Y2: Learning your 2,5 and 10 x tables!
5. Playing TT Rock stars (Y2)