



Year 2 Home Learning

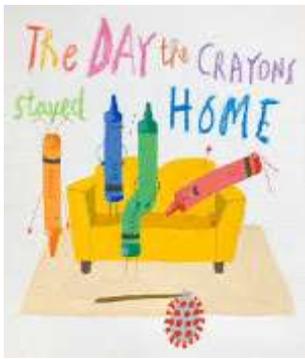
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TERM 6 CLASS NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, carers and children,

Thank you all for all your support with Home Learning last term. I know that you are all in different circumstances and managing it in different ways. You are all doing a great job and I thank you for your support. It has been lovely to hear from you and see what you have been doing. I want to reiterate that our main concern is that you are all safe and healthy.

This term we will be providing a bit more structure to Home Learning. You have the choice to follow this and it can be done at your own speed. Or you may prefer to structure your own Home



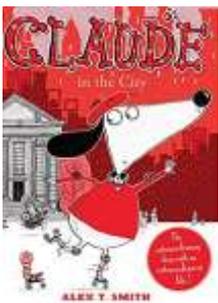
Learning and choose your own areas of focus. We will be sending out a weekly sheet on Mondays, relevant resources and a video of me talking about the weekly challenge. It is up to you how much of this you want to use and you might find that the weekly sheet motivates your child to complete the set activities.

If you do want more support with structuring your day please refer back to the timetable blog sent out last term:

<https://www.st-clementdanes.westminster.sch.uk/341/latest-blogs/post/542/daily-timetable>

This term's topic is **London and the Great Fire**. This is a combination of a Geography and History focus.

English:



Our main text this term is a lovely book by Alex T. Smith called **Claude in the City**.

I have created videos to go with the text and will send out weekly work linked to the book. Some of the writing tasks you can complete on Purple Mash but it would be great if the children have a balance of typing and writing so that they are still working on their handwriting, as I know how hard they all worked on this before school was closed.



We will be sending out weekly spellings, which you can work on at home throughout the week and at the end of every week you could test/quiz your child on 10 of the spellings, like we do at school.

Maths:

In Maths we will be advising you to follow the lessons on BBC Bitesize which link to the White Rose resources that we use in school. Together they have created a home learning curriculum of areas of which are most important at this time, some of which we have already covered before lockdown so will be good revision for the children.

BBC Bitesize Maths: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

White Rose: <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-2/>

The areas that will be covered are:

- Multiplication and division
- Fractions and Geometry
- Measurement
- Time

Please do use IXL and Purple Mash activities to support you at home.

If you are looking for teacher led videos please refer to the maths lessons at the Oak Academy website: <https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom>

If you are looking for maths with a bit of a challenge please refer to the Nrich website: <https://nrich.maths.org/12635>

If your child is struggling with some of the mathematical concepts you may want to use the Year 1 resources on IXL and BBC Bitesize to either refresh their memory or as an activity that you know they can complete independently.



History and Geography - London and the Great Fire

We will begin our topic looking at our lovely home, *London*! It links nicely to our book about being in a city and we will be focusing on these targets. We want to give the children an understanding of where London is in the world and UK, get them used to using maps and make them aware of landmarks in the capital city. What a bonus it is that London is also our local area so the children will be able to draw upon their own knowledge of the city.

Geography main aims:

- *To name the 7 continents in the world.*
- *To name the four countries of the UK and their capitals.*
- *Use a range of maps (world, country, aerial views and plans) to locate places and landmarks.*
- *Describe human and physical features of London.*
- *Explain what London is like in detail using geographical vocabulary.*
- *Compare London to another place.*
- *Plot a simple route on a map*
- *Use compass directions*

After spending a few weeks thinking about the geographical features of London and what London is like in the present (or just before lockdown!) we will delve into a significant event in London's history, the Great Fire of London. I know the children have been looking forward to studying this.

We want the children to understand the main events of the fire and put these in chronological order. We want the children to be able to understand why the fire started and spread so quickly

and how London changed after the Great Fire. We also want them to find out about a significant person in history, Samuel Pepys.



History main aims:

- *Talk about some of the key events of the Great Fire of London.*
- *Say why the Great Fire of London spread and eventually stopped.*
- *Explain that we know about the Great Fire because of Samuel Pepys' diary.*
- *Explain how we know about the Great Fire of London from a variety of primary sources, e.g. paintings and diaries.*
- *Show awareness of how London has changed, including its buildings, people and transport.*

Weekly Challenges:

Alongside the daily work, you'll receive a Weekly Challenge, via the Weekly Task Sheet. This is something that links to our topics and can be emailed (along with any other work) to me each week. I will try to make the weekly challenge fun and creative.

Purple Mash:



It has been great to see children use Purple Mash to complete the '2 dos' that I set and send me messages. Alongside the set tasks, the children can use the tools and games to work on coding skills, produce art and even create their own computer games! You can also share work either to the whole school board or on the Year 2 board.



Thank you for your on-going support. If you need anything, do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Stay safe!

Miss Pike ☺

Online Safety:

Please always ensure that you check the websites before letting your child use them. Please read this information carefully:

<https://stclements-pri.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/document/Online-safety.pdf?ts=1585910972>

A reminder of some resources available to support children with SEND: <https://www.st-clementdanes.westminster.sch.uk/1044/home-support-for-children-with-send>