

Bell Farm Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2017



Year 2

Dear Parents/Carers,
It's been a very exciting term already and we are all looking forward to a very successful 2017. So far this term we have been learning about Africa and we have been reading the book 'Lila and the Secret of Rain'. We have written great diary entries based on the story. We have also enjoyed learning new strategies in maths through games and investigations. In Art, Year 2 have created fantastic collages based on the Great Fire of London and next we will be learning all about Samuel Pepys and the Plague. Soon we will be taking part in a Great Fire of London workshop which will be great fun! We will also be visiting Wisley Gardens as part of our Science topic. We are looking forward to the disco and to celebrating World Book day this term!
Thank you for your continued support.
From the Year 2 team.

What we're learning this term:

English: Our next key texts are Winnie's Pirate Adventure, Winnie at the Seaside and The Jolly Postman. Our focus will be on letter writing, character and setting description and we will continue with spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Maths: We will be using methods for all four number operations and applying them to problem solving. We will also be working on mental maths skills, with a focus on times tables and counting in multiples of 3 and 4.

Science: Living things and their habitats and Plants.

History: The Great Fire of London and the Plague.

Art/DT: Design a plant pot, and study of an artist (Vincent van Gogh/Leonardo da Vinci).

RE: The Easter Story and What is a church?

Music: African drumming and singing.

Coming up soon!

- Year 2 trip to Wisley Gardens is on Tuesday 21st February.
- World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March.
- The school disco for Year 2 is on the 7th February from 4.30 - 5.15pm.
- The Great Fire of London workshop is on Monday 13th March.

UNCRC

A key part of daily life for Bell Farm is the United Nations Convention for the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). We have been learning about the rights of every child and thinking about how we can ensure everyone's rights are met. We will learn about these rights in class assembly, school assembly and in PSHE sessions. These rights are also part of our class charters which help us to work together as a school community.

Values

Our values for this term are honesty, simplicity and understanding. We will be trying to show these values throughout the school day. We hope that your children will demonstrate these values at home too!