

Science The children will get to the opportunity to develop their working scientifically skills with a range of hands on activities. There will also be a chance to investigate how heat changes certain types of food. Children will get to think about which will go back to their original form and which won't! There will also be opportunities to use our outdoor space to investigate what creatures we will find in various microhabitats and then use these results to create a pictogram

Geography The children will explore maps of Newcastle. They will locate the bridges over the River Tyne and identify their purpose. Using aerial photographs of the Quayside, they will use positional language and grid references to identify and locate key landmarks. Children will also create their own maps and use a key to identify important features.

Goodness Gracious Great Balls of Fire!



PSHCE The children will be learning about fire safety and the people who can help us in emergencies. They will look at how although fire can be dangerous, it is also useful. They will use ICT to design a fire safety poster.



RE This term, Year 2 will work to gain an understanding of special books. They will think about those books that they think are special and move on to thinking about the books that are important to the many different religions we have studied this year.

History The children will start by learning about the origins of fire and the early uses of fire from Stone Age times. The children will use historical resources, including photographs, to research the Great Fire of London and to find out about the causes and consequences of the fire. Using the information gathered, the children will role-play as people from the fire, write diary entries, create a timeline and write a newspaper report on the Great Fire. The children will also learn key facts about the Great Fire of Newcastle and Gateshead and what life was like for people in this time as well as the impact the fire had had on our local area.

Trip - We are planning a trip to Newcastle Quayside on Tuesday 22nd June for class 6 and Thursday 24th June for class 5 - parent helpers would be very welcome.

Spanish - this half term the focus will be on learning all about food and hobbies. Children will learn through games, songs and a series of practical activities.

Art and DT The children will use mixed techniques to create a "Great Fire of London" picture. They will use charcoal and chalk to create the Tudor style houses and then, using shades of orange, yellow and red, create flames from tissue paper.

ICT The children will work on i-pads 'book creator' to create their own fact books about The Great Fire of London. They will spend time researching different materials and apply facts they have learned throughout the topic, to create an interactive book complete with pictures and sound effects too.

Music We will also be continuing our work using the Charanga music programme focusing on listening and appraising a range of musical styles. Children will use a range of instruments and be given the chance to create their own lyrics as well as focussing on pitch, rhythm and tempo.

