

# THE GREAT FIRE OF NEWCASTLE AND GATESHEAD

## Art and DT

The children will use the technique of marbling to create fire pictures. In DT, they will design and build a bridge, based on one of the bridges over the River Tyne.

## Geography

The children will explore maps of Newcastle. They will locate the bridges over the River Tyne and plot the route of the Tyne, from its source to the mouth.

Using photographs from the past, they will think about the changes on the Quayside, in relation to buildings and jobs.

## 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. The children will visit a local synagogue.

## ICT

The Internet will be used to research changes in Newcastle and to support topic work, as well as other curriculum areas. Children will use a range of software to record their findings and to present their ideas. The children will also learn how to program and operate a variety of computer generated 'toys', including roamers.

## PE

The children will learn a range of hockey skills and how to attack and defend. They will put the skills acquired to use in small group games. Creative dance will also be a focus this half term.

## History

The Great Fire of Newcastle will be the main focus for this half term. The children will use a variety of historical resources, including photographs, to research the fire and to find out about the causes and consequences of the fire. They will also sequence events on a timeline. Using the information gathered, the children will role-play as people from the fire, write diary entries as a child at the time of the fire and write a newspaper report on the Great Fire.

The children will also learn key facts about the Great Fire of London.



