

## Reading Diaries

During the Autumn term your child's reading diary will be checked and signed.

It is an expectation that your child is reading for 10-20 minutes each day.

It is most important that your child reads EVERY DAY.

Reading every day gives children the much needed opportunity to practise reading with fluency and expression. It is also important to ask them lots of questions after reading so they develop their comprehension skills.



## Trips

If you could come with us on any school trip this would be greatly appreciated. You will however need a current DBS check if you would like to join us.

To join us on a trip a DBS check is a requirement if we are going to split children in to groups.



Please speak to Max in the office to arrange a DBS check—it's easy!



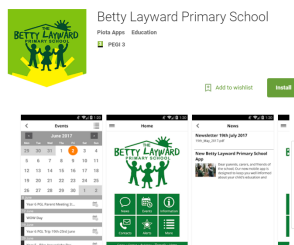
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Betty Layward  
Primary School

Year 2 Class Newsletter  
Autumn 2 —2017

Welcome back to our second term at Betty Layward!

We have a busy term ahead in the lead up to Christmas. Just seven weeks left!

If you would like to speak to us about anything regarding your child or school, then do come and speak to us either before or after school.

This half term our topic is:



We will be learning about the Great Fire of London, the impact it has had and how we know about the Great Fire.

Stephen Airey  
Emma Vickers  
Dawn Mason  
Muryam Bhatti  
Emily Barker

## Dates for the diary!

**6th November**—WOW Day

**9th November**— Parent / Teacher Evening

**17th November** – Year 2 trip to Tower of London

**7th December** - 2 Peach Class Assembly

**14th December** – Carol Concert

**15th December** - Christmas Lunch

**20th December**— Last day of school term (Wednesday)



Please refer to the newsletter for future dates.

## PE:

P.E will take place on **Monday mornings**.



A note will be sent home if your child does not have the correct PE kit. For reasons of Health and Safety, pupils will not be able to participate in PE lessons if they do not have their full kit.

This term we will be doing gymnastics in the hall and so children will be bare footed. If your child has a medical reason which would stop them from participating in bare feet, please bring in a note.

## History

Our History topic is: Events beyond living memory—The Great Fire of London

We will:

- Explore how the fire started and what the initial response was
- Identify the main characters of the time.
- Explore what the enduring result of the fire was upon London
- Explore what London was like the 17th century and how things are different and what things have changed

## Art

Year 2 will be working with Kelly, our dedicated Art teacher, on Monday mornings.

## Music and Singing

This half term Barney and Mel will be taking Year 2 for weekly music and singing lessons.

## English

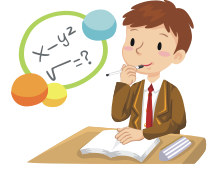
We will be:

- Writing diary entries with a focus on Samuel Pepys and the Great Fire of London
- Writing narratives
- Creating calligrams (shape poems)

## Numeracy

We will be learning about:

- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division



## Science

We will be learning to:

- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for particular uses
- Carry out an investigation focusing on the suitability of a material and give reasons for our findings

## Homework

It is important that your child continues to read every day for a minimum of 15 minutes and **records this in their diary**.

Homework will be given out **every 2 weeks**. It will consist of a Maths activity and a list of spellings to be learnt over the two weeks.

There will be a spelling quiz and times tables quiz **every 2 weeks**. This will be recorded in children's homework books.

Half term topic holiday projects will continue as last year.

The Great Fire of London projects we've received so far are great! Well done to all those that have brought them in!

