

Year 2 - Copernicus

Class Newsletter - Autumn second half



Welcome back!

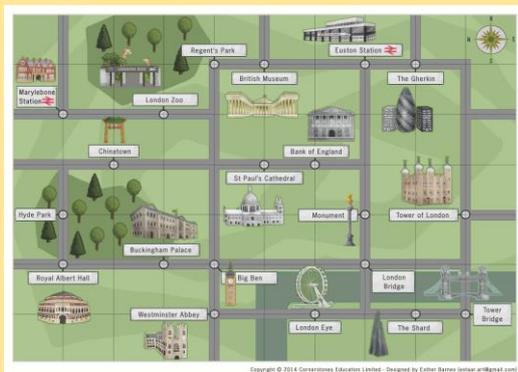
We hope you have had a relaxing half term and that the children are ready to come back and work hard.

As always, we value your support at home. Please continue to listen to your child read every night and sign their reading log. As the books get longer and harder, you may wish your child to read part of the book each night.

Topic



Our topic this half term is Bright Lights, Big City. We will be starting this topic with a Royal tea party next week on Monday 9th November. Unfortunately, due to Covid19, the Queen will not be able to attend but Year 2 will celebrate without her. On Monday, children can bring their party clothes in a bag to get changed into after lunch.



We will be learning all about the capital city of London and its famous landmarks. Then we will look back in time to 1666 to the events leading up to the Great Fire of London with the help of Samuel Pepys. Find out more here.

<http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/>

Phonics

This month all children in year 2 will be tested on the phonics-screening test that they missed in year 1. The test consists of both real and nonsense words. We will be sending home some practise words for children to read. Please encourage your child to draw sound buttons and sound out these words.

Literacy

We are continuing to apply our phonics to read new words and build up fluency.

In writing, we will be continuing to focus on using capital letters and punctuation in the correct place as well as using our phonics to spell words.

We will begin testing children on the KS1 common exception words in our weekly spelling test.

Maths

This term, we will be focusing on learning our number bonds to 20. Children can practise these on Purple Mash - all children now have their logins. We will also be working on addition and subtraction number sentences.

PE

PE will be on a Wednesday each week. Children should come to school in their PE kit. This needs to be appropriate clothing (tracksuit/jogging bottoms) and trainers for outdoor sessions.