# Horn Park Primary School

# YEAR 2

#### **AUTUMN 1 NEWSLETTER**



A warm welcome to Year 2! We hope you and your family had a relaxing summer break and are ready to embrace the new school year. We are looking forward to working with you and your children, and are really excited for the year ahead. If you have any questions, please let us know. Beeches and Poplars Class Teachers, Miss Lazell, and Mr Turner.

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# Welcome Back

#### **ENGLISH**

This half term will be filled with exciting learning opportunities linked to our whole school topic, The Tempest. We will be writing a character description of the spirit, Ariel, and a re-tell of the story to deepen our understanding of the story before we are visited by a drama company. We will finish the term with our Black History Month focus text, Counting on Katherine. We will write poetry and a fact-file to demonstrate our knowledge of her fascinating life.



#### **SCIENCE**

Our science topic this term will be animals including humans. As part of this learning, children will be taught that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. We will then learn about the basic needs (of animals) for survival. Later in the term, the children will learn to explain the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.



#### **History**

This term, our topic in History will be The Great Fire of London. We are learning about the impact of this on today's society. This half term we will be focusing on what London was like in 1666 compared to now. We will also explore the causes of the fire and its impact.

## MATHS



The children will continue to develop their knowledge and understanding of place value. They will be deepening their understanding of counting forwards and backwards, in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s within 100. We will then move on to addition and subtraction, including looking at the inverse relationship between them. The children will continue to recall addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently and use this knowledge to derive related facts.

### Geography



This term in Geography, we will be exploring the United Kingdom as part of the European Continent. Throughout this topic, our focus will also be on the world's continents and oceans. We will compare human and physical features of the 7 continents and 5 oceans and learn their names and locations.

## CLASS NOTICES



- Please ensure your child brings a labelled water bottle to school every day.
- Forest school is on alternate Wednesdays.
- Please bring P.E kits in on a Monday and leave in school until Friday.
- Reading books will all be changed every Thursday, or daily if required. Please write in the reading records.

Trips: Hindu temple – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.