

# Year 2 Spring Term



Dear parents/carers,

We hope you had a lovely Christmas break. We have lots of fun things coming up in this term. If you have any questions, please use the class emails.

Miss Swift and Miss Harding



### **Topic**

Our Spring Term theme is Ice and Fire. It is a fantastic topic! We get to find out about the Polar Regions and Polar animals and become researchers and scientists. We travel back in time and become historians for the Fire part of our topic where we learn all about The Great Fire of London.

### Curriculum

\*Geography – Our geography work will be based on the Polar Regions for the first half term. We will be looking at locating the Polar Regions on maps and describing what it is like there.

\*History - Our history theme after half term will be The Great Fire of London. We will be finding out about this famous event from the past and comparing both firefighting and London now and in 1666.

\*Science - We will be continuing to learn about materials this term linked to our Polar Regions work. We will be looking at testing materials absorbency, making materials waterproof and identifying stretchy, tough and flexible fabrics. \*DT - Our DT project will be based on wheels and axles as part of our Great Fire of London topic. We will be making fire engines.

\*Art – We will be looking at artists Christine Montague linked to our work on Polar animals and Stephen Wiltshire linked to London.

\*English – Our English work will also be based on our Polar topic in the first half term. We will be writing Polar animal reports and writing a Polar animal story. During our Fire topic we will write non-fiction pieces using the facts we have learnt, instructions and a story.

\*Phonics and SPaG - We will be continuing learning new graphemes as part of the Year 2 Song of Sounds scheme as well as increasing our knowledge of other spelling rules.

\*Maths - We will be working on multiplication and division, fractions and shapes.

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#### PE



- \*PE days continue to be <u>Tuesday</u> and <u>Wednesday</u>.

  \*The children should continue to come in to school in their PE kits. They should wear plain black (no logos) shorts or jogging bottoms with their PE house team t-shirt and their normal Holbrook School jumper/ cardigan or Holbrook School fleece.
- \*Earrings should be removed or covered for PE days.
- \*Please can you ensure that, if they are wearing trainers with laces, they can do them up independently.

## Equipment

- \*Please ensure the children have a water bottle and a coat in school every day.
- \*Children should continue to bring book bags that fit in trays and not ruck sacks.
- \*Please make sure the children bring their reading books and reading diary every day.





Phonics

### Home Learning/Seesaw

Home learning should continue to be recorded on Seesaw. We will upload the home learning on Friday and it should be completed by the following Thursday. The home learning sheet will inform you about what we are learning in school for reading, spelling, SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) and maths that week. We will set a home learning task on Seesaw which will be a mixture of these. Reading and mental maths is an important and ongoing home learning task. Please continue to record reading in reading diaries.

