



Kidmore End CE Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely, relaxing Christmas break. Thank you from all the staff in Year 1 for your kind messages and gifts.

We are very much looking forward to an exciting spring term. Our Cornerstones Curriculum topic is 'Bright Lights, Big City'. The children will learn about London and its landmarks, they will look at the UK and its physical and human features and will learn about the Great Fire of London.

An outline of our curriculum for this term is summarised below:

<u>Maths</u> Addition and subtraction to 20. Counting and place value to 50. Measurement: length and height, weight and volume.	<u>English</u> Phonics, grammar and handwriting plus the children will look at the following genres: Persuasive writing through information posters Instructions Recounts.
<u>Science</u> The seasons, seasonal changes and typical seasonal weather and events. The children will learn about measuring the weather and the role of a meteorologist. They will begin to learn about the science of day and night and recognise that the seasons have varying day lengths in the UK.	<u>History and Geography</u> Our location in the context of the British Isles and the wider world. London Landmarks. The Great Fire of London.
<u>RE</u> Creation and who made the world. Easter	<u>PSHE</u> Keeping safe Rights and Respect
<u>PE</u> Team games and throwing and catching.	<u>Computing</u> Programming – moving a robot. Data and Information – grouping data.
<u>Music</u> Charanga: Into the Groove, Round and Round	<u>Art & DT</u> Designing and making our own model London taxis.

We will continue to encourage your children to become more independent and responsible for their own learning. This will include bringing in all they need each day and concentrating on their key reading skills each week.

PE

PE will be outside on Wednesday afternoon and Friday afternoon. Kit needs to include outside trainers, jumper and tracksuit bottoms/leggings. **Please make sure your child comes to school in their PE Kit on Wednesdays and Fridays.**

Homework

Please try to listen to your child read each day and complete their Reading Record. This will help your child enormously. Reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday. This term we will be asking children to complete one 'own work' project at home per half term. This will be related to our topic and details will be posted on google classroom.

Book Club

Book Club will be on a Tuesday afternoon. Your child can bring in a book that they would like to share with the class.

Year 1 Key Dates

Parents Evening:	Wednesday 7 th & Thursday 8 th February
Half term:	w/c 12 th February
Last day of term:	Thursday 28 th March

Should you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to ask. We can only deal with quick queries before school but will usually have more time after school. Alternatively, you may make an appointment or leave a message with the school office. Please can we remind you, that all emails for staff should be sent to the office office@kidmore-end.co.uk who will then forward them on.

We hope you'll agree that this will be an exciting, rewarding term. We are really looking forward to teaching your children and providing them with a fun, engaging and challenging learning experience.

With best wishes,

Mrs Smith

Mrs Bickerton

Year 1 Teachers

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