



Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a relaxing Easter break and are ready for the half term ahead.

**Year 1:** In Elmer and Zeraffa Giraffa class, this half term our topic is called **Great Fire of London** and will have a history focus. We will be looking at how the fire started and why, as well as looking at what London was like at the time. We will compare it with London now using the knowledge we learnt in our Near and Far topic last half term.

**Year 2:** In Aslan and Dalmatian class, this half term our topic is called **Australia** and will have a focus on comparing Australia with Moorends and the UK. This will be a geography focus for us. The children will learn use maps and atlases to continents and oceans, explore the weather and seasons as well as aboriginal art.

### **Reading**

Books are changed regularly. Please write in your child's reading diary to say that they have read the book at home. Your child will take part in the whole school Reader Leader competition where, if children read three times or more per week, they could be in with a chance of winning a small prize. This is celebrated each week. At the end of each term, the class with the most Reader Leaders will win a prize.

### **PE**

Year 1: **Wednesday afternoon.**

Year 2: **Thursday afternoon.**

Please make sure your child's PE kit is in school on that day or, ideally, brought in to school on a Monday and left until Friday. Please ensure all items of clothing are named.

### **Spellings and homework**

Spellings will be sent out on a Friday. Please support your child to learn these spellings and look at the spelling rule/pattern. The spellings will reflect the spelling rules and patterns that we have been looking at in class.

For homework, your child will need to log on to Times Table Rockstars or Ed Shed. Both websites have a wealth of activities to support their maths learning.

Thank you for your continued support,

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