



Tudor Grange Primary Academy

# Meon Vale

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year!

This half term we will be starting our new History topic, '**London's Burning**', where we will be learning about The Great Fire of London. The children will explore London and find out about what the city was like during 1666 and how this compares to London now. The children will find out about this significant historical event and understand how the fire started, why it spread so quickly and the changes that have occurred since because of the impact of The Great Fire of London. As part of our learning, the children will also create their own Tudor houses and some silhouette artwork.

Our focus text for our English and Guided Reading lessons will be 'Look Up!' by Nathan Bryon. The children will be exploring this text and completing a variety of different writing activities linked to the story, including poetry, instructions, newspaper reports and much more. They will also complete research about Mae Jemison; the first African-American woman to travel into space and will use their research to write a biography about her life and achievements.

Our Science topic for this half term is '**Uses of Everyday Materials**' and you will be able to see more of what we will be learning by looking at the attached curriculum map. Within this unit of work, we will be identifying and comparing the uses of a variety of different materials and considering why they have different uses, which are based upon their properties. You can support your child at home with this learning by discussing the different materials that various objects are made from. When identifying the material that an object is made from, discuss the reasons why the object is made from those specific materials by considering the properties of the material e.g. a window is made from glass because it is strong and translucent. You could ask your child the following questions – what material/materials is this object made from? Why do you think this object is made from this material? What vocabulary could you use to describe the properties of this material? Can the shape of this object be changed by twisting, bending, stretching or squashing?

Our PE lessons will continue to take place on a Thursday afternoon and spellings will continue to be tested on a Friday.

Here are some useful Maths resources to consolidate your child's learning from last half term. We are not expecting you to print these or return them to school (unless you want to) but we hope you find them useful when supporting your child at home.

## **Addition and Subtraction**

<https://assets.whiterosemaths.com/fixe/wrm/2020/07/Y2-HL-Autumn-Block-2-Addition-and-subtraction-2020.pdf>

## **Money**

<https://assets.whiterosemaths.com/fixe/wrm/2020/07/Y2-HL-Autumn-Block-3-Money-2020.pdf>



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## Multiplication

<https://assets.whiterosemaths.com/fixed/wrm/2020/07/Y2-HL-Autumn-Block-4-Multiplication-2020.pdf>

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or queries.

Kind regards,

Miss Hodges

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