



The Greville's Termly Update

Spring Term 2025

YEAR 2



LITERACY



An absolute highlight of our learning this half term has been our Great Fire of London topic in literacy. The children have loved sinking their teeth into a new period of history, and they have really absorbed everything we have learnt about and now know plenty of facts about it. Watching their writing mature and develop in order to write diary entries and non-chronological reports has been wonderful, and the children have impressed us through their perseverance with trickier writing elements such as using conjunctions and time connectives.

Our topic came to a close with a brilliant talk from a member of Surrey County Council's fire service and it was great to learn just how much our fire services have developed since the Great Fire of London as well as learning how to stay safe if a fire does break out.

We've also had the chance to re-visit some poetry this half term and the chance to learn and perform some really funny and entertaining poems. The children have also written their own and this has really helped the children to engage with the topic.

D&T



Our DT topic this half term has also been a hit, and the children have loved building on the knife skills they learnt last year as well as learning how to use these skills. We learnt lots about healthy snacks and the children have told us they will definitely be making their families these snacks at home!

Wow, January and half of February have flown by in a productive and enjoyable six weeks for Year 2.

– **Miss Earl (Teacher, Year Group Leader)**

GEOGRAPHY



Our geography topic of 'Why is our world wonderful?' has been really enjoyable this half term. The children have learnt a lot about the UK and world landmarks as well as the five world oceans and studied our local area by making a sketch map. They have enjoyed the opportunity to use their previous knowledge of continents and UK geography to help them, as well as using technology such as Google Earth.

MATHS

In our maths lessons this half term, the children have started to learn some written methods for solving double digit addition and subtraction, and also learnt to do this with numbers that bridge the next ten – such as $27 + 25$ and $32 - 16$. We have been impressed with the effort they have put in to using formal written methods and it has definitely been a learning curve as to how we set these out into the squares in our maths books.



Thank you so much for all your support in this busy half term, enjoy the break! The Year 2 Team.