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Dear Parents,

We hope you all had a great summer and that everyone is now feeling refreshed and ready for the start of a new school year! We are really looking forward to all the exciting new learning opportunities in Year 1/2 this term.

Along with this letter you will find an overview of this term's learning. It would be most helpful if you could share this information with your child.

Our theme this term is called 'London's Burning'. In History we explore the events of the Great Fire of London; what London was like before the fire, how the fire started and why it spread so easily. Later in the term in Geography we will be learning all about 'London as our capital city: a comparison with Tewkesbury'. Here we will be exploring London further and making comparisons to the local area of Tewkesbury. Please feel free to share on Dojo any information that you have at home on any of this term's areas of work that you are happy for your child to share with the class (History this half term and Geography the next.) Thank you.

P.E. will mainly be taught on the following days for each class:

Robin: **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**

Nightingale: **Tuesday** and **Thursday**

Swallow: **Wednesday** and **Friday**

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on these days. The P.E. kit should include a pair of correctly fitting daps and shorts. In colder months, children may wish to wear jogging bottoms.

Outdoor Learning

Outdoor learning sessions will take place each week, children need to wear long sleeved tops, long trousers and suitable footwear (trainers or wellies) Please could they also bring a waterproof coat. If sessions are in the morning, could children please come in their kits and school uniform to change into. For afternoon sessions, could children please bring kits in bags to change into.

Robin: **Monday afternoon**

Nightingale: **Friday morning**

Swallow: **Thursday morning**

Home Spellings

Every Monday, we will send out the spellings for the week so that Year 2 children can practise these at home.

Reading Diaries

We would like to see Reading Diaries completed so that we can support you and your child with their home reading journey and therefore we will collect reading diaries in **once a fortnight on a Friday** (starting on 17th September to check and sign them). Children can change their home reading books as often as needed.

Homework books

Homework will be sent home every **Wednesday** (beginning 15th) and will be collected back in on a **Monday**. If you would like to celebrate your child's home activities in between books being looked at, please feel free to post a photo on your child's Dojo portfolio.

We are sure that you will continue to support your child's learning by listening to them read as often as possible. Please comment on **ANY** type of reading your child has done at home. This could be books, comics, computers, Maths, even a menu or recipe! We expect the children to read or be read to, at least 4 times a week.

We will be assessing your child's reading and comprehension skills over the next couple of weeks to ensure their home readers are at a fluency level.

If you have any issues which you feel you need to discuss with us please feel free to contact the school office or send a message on Dojo. We are looking forward to all our exciting learning opportunities ahead.

Kindest regards,

Mr Cambridge-Harrison, Miss Hunt, Mrs Johnson and Miss Madge

Year 1/2 Team