

**Year 2 Spring 1 Optional Homework**

**Topic Fire and Ice**

**Which challenges will you choose to complete?**

<p><u>Art</u></p> <p>Create a piece of artwork based around fire or ice. You could use paint, drawings, sculpture or any other medium you like!</p>	<p><u>Research</u></p> <p>Find out about an animal that lives in an icy place (perhaps polar bears or arctic foxes! Draw or find pictures of it and label with at least 5 interesting facts.</p>	<p><u>London's Burning</u></p> <p>Using your knowledge of the events of the Great Fire of London, write more versus for the song 'London's burning'.</p>
<p><u>Poetry</u></p> <p>Write a poem about fire or ice. Make sure it's really descriptive with lots of wow words! You could use ice-cubes or (with an adult) light a candle to inspire you. You could copy it out in your neatest handwriting and decorate it too.</p>	<p><u>Diaries</u></p> <p>One reason we know about the Great Fire of London is because Samuel Pepys kept a diary. Write your own diary for at least a week. You could add drawings or stick in things you collect, like tickets or leaflets, or photos too.</p>	<p><u>Weather patterns:</u></p> <p>Watch and record the winter weather for a week. You might just make notes about what you notice, or perhaps you could use a thermometer or measuring jug to measure the</p>
<p><u>Significant people</u></p> <p>Sir Christopher Wren was a famous architect who helped to redesign London after the Great Fire of London. Design or build your own model building inspired by Sir Christopher Wren. Try to include a dome, tower or strong walls.</p>	<p><u>Talk at home: Fire safety</u></p> <p>In 1666, fire caused huge damage to homes. How can we keep our own houses safe from fire? Walk around your house with a parent or carer. Can you spot things that could be dangerous? What do we need to do to keep safe? (eg. use oven gloves, turn off electrical items). What should you do if you see a fire?</p>	<p><u>Dig deeper!</u></p> <p>We used this online game to help us find out about the Great Fire but there is lots more to find out on this site. Play the game yourself, explore and learn together!  <a href="http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/">http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/</a>          You could also watch this animation showing London's streets in 1666. What is the different from today?  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPY-hr-8-M0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPY-hr-8-M0</a></p>

Children are expected to complete their weekly reading, spelling and number fact homework. The above challenges are optional.