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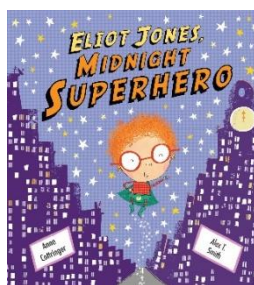
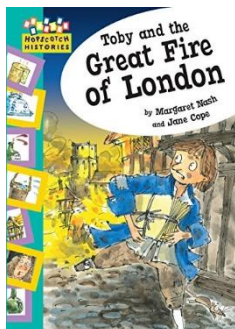
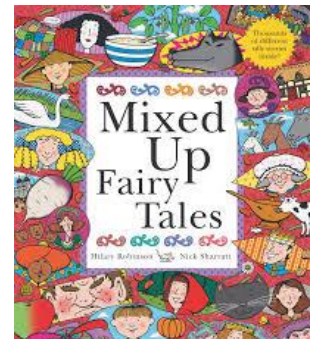
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Dear Parents/Carers of Whipton Barton Federation **Year 2** pupils,

This term, Year 2 will be learning about '**The Great Fire of London**' in their **History** lessons. This unit will teach children about the events of the tragedy and consequences of the fire. We will be starting this unit by making houses and then setting fire to them on the playground to demonstrate to the children how/why the fire spread so quickly and what people did to stop it.



For our **English** learning this half term, the children's will focusing on traditional tales but with a twist. This fantastic book allows the reader to mix and match different combinations of fairy tales with hilarious results. What would happen if Goldilocks had two horrid stepsisters and fell asleep for a hundred years? Would she be woken by a hungry wolf or Little Red Riding Hood's Granny? For our second text we are going to be exploring poetry.



In **Guided Reading**, the children will be exploring two exciting texts: 'The Wardrobe Monster' by Bryony Thompson and 'Toby and the Great Fire of London' by Margaret Nash. We can't wait to get stuck in and start exploring these texts!

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We will be exploring two exciting units in **Maths** this half term, starting with **Money** followed by **Multiplication and Division**. If you can, get practising those times tables!

In **R.E.** the children will continue to explore the question, '**Who is Jewish and how do they live?**', while in SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural education), the children will be exploring the theme of **Keeping Safe**.



In **Computing**, the children will explore the art of photography. They will be looking at different ways to take photographs alongside developing their editing skills online. Watch out for selfies and photo bombs!

In **P.E.** this half term the children will be focusing on developing their gymnastics. They will work on the key skills of balance, agility and co ordination and will work on their performance skills.



In **Art** the children will be creating art maps. This unit focuses on teaching children to explore and create maps through various art forms including, drawing, designing and turning a picture into a 3D masterpiece.

In **Science**, the children will be investigating the properties and uses of everyday materials. This will result in the design and creation of a material monster -watch out! We will need some junk modelling materials so after Christmas, please keep any boxes etc that might be useful for this!

We can't wait for another half term filled with more brilliant learning! If you have any questions about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or email [admin@whiptonbarton.org](mailto:admin@whiptonbarton.org).

Yours sincerely,

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