



South Gosforth First School
'Roots to grow and wings to fly'

Art & Design
Sparks and Flames

This term we will be creating fiery art linked to Fireworks and our Great Fires topic. We will use chalks, pastels and paints to explore shades of colour across a range of different pieces of art.

P.E
Dance

This term we will have a specialist dance teacher coming into work with the children each week. We will perform simple movement patterns and create a performance inspired by the environment.

Maths

Addition and Subtraction – Continuing from last term, we will build on our knowledge of addition and subtraction facts and learn how to add and subtract 2-digit numbers using different methods.

Money – We will count coin values, find totals and calculate change. We will also look at how we can spend and save money and why/when we might do this.

Literacy
Sparks and Flames

Poetry – we will look at a range of poetry around the theme of 'Fireworks' before creating our own poems.

Newspaper reports – Linked to our Great Fires topic, we will write newspaper reports about the fires.

History

Who was to blame for the Great Fire of London?

We will investigate the events of the Great Fire of London and evaluate all the evidence to decide who was to blame for the fire. We will also learn about the Great Fire of Gateshead and compare the two events.

Year 2



The Great Fires of London and Gateshead



Why do animals live in different places?

Science

Why do different animals live in different places?

Continuing with our topic from last term, we will look at how habitats provide for the basic needs of living things. We will carry out different experiments to investigate why animals are suited to particular habitats.

Computing
Simple Algorithms

We will be learning about algorithms and how they are used to give a set of instructions. We will then use Code.org to practice coding and creating a debugging simple programs.

PSHE & 'Together Time'
What is bullying?

We will learn that we are all different and be able to recognise how words and actions can affect how people feel. Our No Outsiders text is 'Can I Join Your Club?' by John Kelly.

Design & Technology
Fire, Fire!

We will design and build a fire engine with axels and wheels. We will put our Fire Engines to work and evaluate their success.

Religious Education
Christian Beliefs and Practice

We will be learning how Christians worship and why it is important to them. We will look at what Christmas means to Christians.



Character
Culture
Creativity
Challenge

Enrichment, Hooks & Pupil Engagement: Great Fire of Gateshead, online workshop with the Discovery Museum, Great Fires Live! – News reporting from the scene of the fire (Green screen animation), Diwali dance workshop in PE, Anti Bullying Week

'The Big Picture' Task: History – In Year 1 children looked at events from living memory, in this topic they will learn of the impact of an event further back in history and consider how those events changed both London and Gateshead.

'Stunning Start' & 'Fantastic Finish' ('Mantle of the Expert'): Mantle of the Expert- Great Fire of London, Fire Marshals commissioned by King Charles II to help rebuild London.