



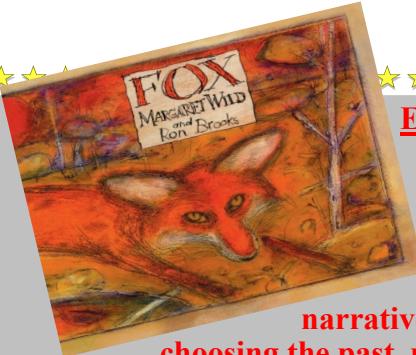
Redbridge Primary School

Newsletter Date:
January 2020

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas break and are refreshed and ready for the coming term. We will start this half term by continuing on with the topic of 'The Great Fire of London', before moving onto 'The Lady With the Lamp: Florence Nightingale' after the February half term.



English

Our books for this half term will be 'Winters Child' by Angela McAllister and 'Fox' by Maragret Wild and Ron Brooks.

We will be focussing on creating coherent narratives, using conjunctions appropriately and choosing the past, present and future tenses correctly. We will also be focussing on improving the children's writing by encouraging them to make use of grammatical features such as expanded noun phrases and so on. We will also be continuing to encourage children to form joined handwriting, ensuring that the letters are the correct size and orientation in relation to each other.



Maths

Children will learn to:

- Use knowledge of place value and number to multiply and divide using arrays.
- Identify fractions of a number and of a shape.
- Read the time on a clock to the nearest 15 minutes.
- Name and describe properties of 2D and 3D shapes, including number of sides, vertices, faces and lines of symmetry.
- Identify different coins and use them to make the same amount in a variety of ways.



Reading

Our focus in reading for this half term is comprehension. We want to instil skills in the children to ensure that they have a secure understanding of the texts they read and are able to answer questions based on this understanding.

The children will also be learning to read the Year 2 Common Exception Words and will discuss story themes, retell familiar stories and will be discussing and comparing different texts and themes. They will learn to recognise and take account of commas and exclamation marks when reading aloud with expression.



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Upcoming Key Events

22nd January—Ilford Fire Brigade visit.

27th March—Florence Nightingale trip (Pipits and Swallows).

2nd April—Florence Nightingale trip (Nightingales and Skylarks).

Dates will be confirmed shortly so please look out for further information!

Whole School Calendar Dates

24th January—Chinese New Year celebrations in school.

14th February - last day of term.

24th February—back to school.

16th—20th March—DT Week.

3rd April—Parent consultation day (1.45 –6).

PE Kits

Please ensure your child has a full PE kit and all items are clearly labelled.

- White T-shirt
- Black jogging bottoms or shorts.
- Plimsolls
- PE bag

Please also ensure that jumpers and cardigans are clearly labelled.

EVERY DAY MATTERS!

We have launched our whole school initiative called Every Day Matters.

Every day that all of the class are in school, the class get to tick off a letter from the phrase 'EVERY DAY MATTERS'. Once the class have ticked off all 15 letters, the class will be rewarded with a non-uniform day and a treat. The aim of this is to reward all children on attendance. We will, however, still be rewarded those children who achieve 100% attendance in a term with a certificate. This initiative is used successfully in other schools .