Literacy... In Literacy, we will be reading Samuel Pepys' Diary and writing in role of the events that occurred in 1666. We will also be looking at the features of a newspaper and planning, then writing our very own newspaper report on the Fire.

Reading...Your child will read at least once a week at school. Please encourage your child to change their book during Early Bird. Books should be talked about and often enjoyed several times, so please don't change them too often. Please continue to record your reading sessions in their diaries.

Handwriting... There will be a push on handwriting this term. We will continue to ensure we are forming our letters particularly concentrating on ascenders and descenders.

Maths... This term, we will be building upon our number skills and strategies to solve problems. There will be regular counting in 2s, 5s, 10s for consolidation and building on counting in 3s in our starters.

We will be consolidating addition on a number line and adding two two-digit numbers together, before moving on to subtraction on a number line. We will then begin looking at multiplication (arrays) and division (grouping and sharing).

If you have any questions about how we teach the methods, please come and speak to us at the end of the day. We are happy to go through any methods with you! **Science**... Why did the fire spread so far and stay alight for so long? The children will be encouraged to describe the street scene and discuss the materials of the houses and why the materials would have allowed the fire to spread so quickly. Through exploring of different materials, they will investigate and make predictions about how materials change.

DT... We will have a focus on building houses, made from recycled materials. The houses will be put together to form Pudding Lane.

> PLEASE BRING INTO SCHOOL A CARDBOARD BOX.



PE...

The children will have two P.E. lessons a week; one indoor and one outdoor session.

Puffins - We do PE on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Pelicans – We do PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

The indoor session will be the NHS Change for Life "Train like a Jedi" sessions and the outside session will be skills based. **PE kits <u>MUST</u> be worn and kept in school all week.** This is important as days may change. Please, please name <u>ALL</u> items of clothes along with trainers. Please do not send football kits!

History...

We will be completing a timeline of the sequence of events of the Great Fire, focusing on when and where the Fire started.

We will use an ICT game to help us develop our knowledge of the historical facts. This will then help us to write a diary entry for a child who lived on Puddling Lane.

We will look at the similarities and differences between the Fire Service in 1666 and the Fire Service today.

PSHE...

The children will be discussing fire safety and what to do in the event of a fire and safety on Bonfire night.



Additional Information...

Friday 9th November – Cinema trip to see Mary and the Witch's flower. PLEASE sign the consent form and send back to school ASAP! Children must arrive by 8:45am for a prompt 9:00 departure.

Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th November- Parents' Evening – more information to follow.

Nativity Dates

Thursday 13th December @ 9:30am Friday 14th December @ 2pm Thursday 13th December - Songs from the Nativity in Church time to be arranged.

