

<u>The Yellow Room</u> <u>Spring Term 2019</u>

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and welcome back. We hope everyone enjoyed a happy and relaxing holiday, and the children are ready for a busy and exciting second term in the Yellow Room. This will include a trip to the Museum of London, interesting activities for Safer Internet Day and World Book Day and then finishing the term with a bang for STEM (Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) week just before the Easter holidays.

History and geography

Spring 1 Great Fire of London

We will be studying how events evolved during the Great Fire of London. This will link with our literacy work as we will be looking at Samuel Pepys' famous diary and then writing our own diaries and reports.

Spring 2 London

In geography we will be learning all about London. This will cover the famous landmarks, transport systems and the wonderful buildings in our city. We will be exploring our local area and learning how to use local maps – both underground and over ground!

<u>Science</u>

Spring 1 – Plants and Animals

Over the term we will be learning about plants and animals in our science lessons. We will learn about naming the different parts of plants. This will also involve some hands on learning as we will grow our own plants and investigate the plants and animals we can find in our garden. We will be doing lots of work on classifying different plants and animals in this topic and make our own food chains.

Other information about the Yellow Room:

- Our spelling test takes place every Friday morning (starting on 11th January). You will receive your child's spelling book containing their results every Friday. Please make sure they are back in their folders on Monday.
- Swimming is every Wednesday. Please ensure your child has goggles and a swimming hat.
- PE lessons are now on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Please note that the register is done at 8:50am in the Yellow Room on swimming and P.E. days. If your child is not in on time then they will miss out on these lessons.
- The children can borrow a library book and this is changed fortnightly on Friday. We really appreciate all the effort that you put in to finding old library books and returning current books on time.
- A label in the homework diary will inform you of when it is your child's turn to practise and learn their '5 Facts' presentations. Thank you for the work put into these last term. It is wonderful to see the children's oracy skills developing so well.

As always, please keep us updated of any news, questions, appointments or worries in the homework diaries.

Thank you for your continued support,

Julia, Amy and Catherine