

Dear Year 2 Families,



We have had a great first half term and look forward to our next exciting Learning Journey: **‘Fire Fire!’** We will be learning about The Great Fire of London, exploring and finding out how this significant historical event brought about the Fire Service we know today.

Learning:

Please find attached a copy of our Learning Journey for this half of the Autumn Term. The children will be involved in deciding on the direction of their learning based on what they already know and what they would like to find out. Please do take the time to talk to your child about this term’s Learning Journey and encourage them to record their thoughts in words and/or pictures on the thought bubble sheet accompanying this letter (sent home as a paper copy too). These are always interesting to see and help teachers to plan appropriate starting points for the learning.

Special Events

Rainbow Theatre

- The theatre company will be visiting us on 30th November and we are looking forward to being part of the interactive experience of the days of the Great Fire. The company suggest that the children come to school dressed up that day as poor citizens of London: mop caps, blouses, shawls and long, torn skirts, dirty white shirts without colours, torn trousers and neckerchief. More information to follow.

Anti-Bullying Week:

On the week beginning 12th November we will be defining bullying behaviour and thinking how it feels to be bullied, using stories and circle times to support the children’s understanding. Children are invited to come dressed in blue on Tuesday 13th November.

Road Safety Week:

This takes place the week beginning 19th November. All children will also take part in Scooter Training during this week and the following week. Details to follow.

Christmas Performance:

Later in the half term, we will begin to rehearse for our annual Christmas Performance. This takes place on Monday 17th December.

All these events are listed on the calendar on our website: www.stanfordinfants.co.uk

Reminders

Water Bottles:

Please provide your child with a **clearly named** water bottle. The children will be encouraged to drink regularly during their time at school. These will be sent home at the end of each day for washing and re-filling.

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Belongings:

May we remind you to ensure that all items are **clearly labelled**, as thirty sweatshirts, etc, are impossible to redistribute without names! Water bottles, snacks, books, etc need to be placed in the

children's book bags so that they are able to put them in the appropriate places when they get to school. All children need a coat in school, as we do go out whatever the weather and it may turn extremely chilly!

Regular Liaison:

Finally, thank you for coming to our Parents' Evening Consultations.

Please do come and see us immediately if you have any worries or are unsure of anything, however we would ask that you see us when you collect your child, rather than when we are seeing the children in.

Many thanks for your support and we look forward to an enjoyable half-term!

The Year 2 Team

