


YEAR 2- Suggested HOME LEARNING IDEAS to support learning at school

AUTUMN TERM

<p>English</p>	<p>Have a go at writing a poem with the title 'London'</p> <p>You could look up some examples on the internet to help you with ideas.</p> <p>Think about the things that are in London that you could describe or the words that might be used to describe what London is like.</p>	<p>Find out the story of Guy Fawkes and The Gunpowder plot and retell it to someone in your family.</p> <p>What were the main events? Which characters were involved?</p> <p>Have a go at re-writing the story yourself.</p>	<p>Samuel Pepys wrote a diary entry every day for many years.</p> <p>Keep a diary for a week. Each day write down what you have done and how you are feeling.</p> <p>Then add some drawings!</p>	<p>Write sentences using some of these high frequency words spelled correctly:</p> <p><i>because</i> <i>who</i> <i>people</i> <i>would</i> <i>could</i> <i>should</i> <i>every</i></p> <p>Can you add some adjectives to describe your nouns? Don't forget your capital letters and full stops.</p>	<p>How many words can you make up from the letters in: Charles Darwin?</p> <p>Can you make a 5 letter word or even a 6 letter word?</p> <p>Can you make your own WORDSEARCH including names of animals from the Galapagos Islands?</p>
<p>Mathematics</p>	<p>25 is the answer...</p>  <p>What could the question be? Write down some equations which have an answer of 25.</p> <p>e.g. $12 + 13 = 25$ $100 - 75 = 25$ $5 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 5 = 25$</p>	<p>Take a 30cm ruler around the house with you.</p> <p>How many objects can you find which measure exactly 30cm?</p> <p>Continue to measure some other items but estimate their length first!</p> <p>How close is your estimate to the actual measurement?</p>	<p>Here's a game to play. You will need a person to play with, a handful of small objects each eg dried pasta shapes or small Lego bricks, and a dice.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Take a handful of objects each. Count how many you have and write down the number. 2. Take turns to throw the dice. 3. Take away the number of objects shown on the dice, but first say how many you will have left (you can "count back" to help you work this out). 4. The first player to get rid of all their objects wins. You must throw exactly the right number to finish. 	<p>Find 24 small objects in your home (buttons, coins, matchsticks, etc).</p> <p>How many different ways can you find to make equal groups of the objects? <i>Find a way to show the different combinations.</i></p>	<p>With an adult, stand behind some railings on the pavement on a road like Maple Road.</p> <p>Use a Tally Chart to record how many cars, vans, lorries, buses, taxis, bikes etc. pass you in 5 minutes.</p> <p><i>Which vehicle was the most common?</i> <i>Which vehicle did you see the least of?</i> <i>Why?</i></p> <p>Can you record your findings on your own pictogram?</p>
<p>Science History Geography</p>	<p><i>Why was the Monument built in London?</i></p> <p>Draw the Monument and then write a few sentences about it. Remember to use capitals and full stops.</p>	<p>Find one object in your home made from each of these everyday materials. <i>wood, metal, plastic, brick, rock, glass and plastic</i></p> <p>Play the Kim's memory game with these items, where a cloth is placed over them, one taken away and the players have to guess which has been removed.</p>	<p>Find a copy of a London Underground map. Plan a route from one station to another.</p> <p><i>Which is the quickest route?</i> <i>What if you had to go via Tottenham Court Road – how would you travel there?</i></p>	<p>Find out some more about Charles Darwin. What does EVOLUTION mean?</p> <p>Can you prepare a quick speech to give to your classmates to explain Darwin's theory of evolution?</p>	<p>Draw a map of your route to school. Can you add a key?</p>
<p>Art & Design Design Technology</p>	<p>Design your own model 3D firework. It could be shaped like a cone, cube, cuboid or cylinder. Make sure it is colourful. . Add some sparkle.</p>	<p>Do a sketch of your favourite London Landmark. <i>Can you include lots of detail?</i></p> <p>Use your pencil effectively by pressing down harder for the darker parts and lighter for lighter shades in your sketch.</p>	<p>Imagine Charles Darwin needs some new shoes for his expedition to the Galapagos Islands. <i>Can you make him some?</i> <i>What might you make them from?</i> <i>How would you join them together?</i></p>	<p><i>Create your own image in the style of pointillism like painter Georges Seurat.</i> You could use cotton buds or your finger tips to make the repeated dots.</p>	<p>Make a 3D Christmas card for someone special. Write something nice inside in your best handwriting.</p>

<p>Music</p>	<p>Learn the songs: "Maybe it's because I'm a Londoner" "Ring a ring of roses" and "London's Burning" Why were these songs written?</p>	<p>Exploring sounds Go outside and listen to all the sounds around you. Make a list of what you can hear.</p>	<p>Find the beat Can you listen to a piece of music at home and tap the beat?</p>	<p>Practise songs for our Christmas production.</p>	
<p>Physical Education</p>	<p>Can you make some firework shapes with your body? Transform yourself into a Catherine wheel, sparkler, rocket and any other fireworks you can think of. Use different heights to make your shapes. You could ask an adult to take pictures.</p>	<p>Make up a game involving running and jumping with control. How can you score points? Teach someone how to play it.</p>	<p>Make up a dance routine to a song of your choice using some moves you have learnt in school. Try to travel in different ways and link your movements together.</p>	<p>Practise moves for your dance in the Christmas production.</p>	
<p>Computing</p>	<p>Ask a grown up to help find out about the Great Plague of London by using a search engine. What caused the plague and how was it stopped?</p>	<p>Talk to a friend or someone in your family about staying safe when using a computer. What tips can you give them? Make a poster to show them!</p>	<p>Write your full name using the computer. <i>Can you make the font bigger, and more colourful?</i> <i>Can you change the font?</i> Ask a grown up to show you how to if you are not sure.</p>	<p>Regularly access MATHLETICS using your login and password in the front of your READING RECORDS. <i>Can you get your bronze certificate by obtaining 1000 points in a week?</i> <i>How about the SILVER certificate (which is given in assembly) by getting 5 bronze certificates?</i></p>	<p>Practise your mouse skills by decorating the Christmas Tree. Ask an adult to help you type this website into the browser: www.castlearcana.com/christmas/tree/</p>
<p>Discussion Ideas</p>	<p>What would we do without electricity? What games would children have played before electricity was invented?</p>	<p>How are our lives different from people who were alive in 1666?</p>	<p>During The Great Fire of London people had to leave their houses before the fire reached them. They could only carry a few items. What would you save from your house and why?</p>	<p>Why should we recycle plastic bags? Why do the big supermarkets now charge us 5p for a plastic bag?</p>	<p>How do people celebrate Christmas around the world?</p>