

Elmtree Infant and Nursery School



Year 2

Cherry and Maple Class

Parent Curriculum Information Leaflet



Autumn 2 - 2025

Our Learning Journey

this term is

London's Burning!

As a whole school
we will be focusing on the value of being

Curious

What we are learning in school

Mathematics

We will continue to focus on place value and understanding what each numeral in a 2-digit number stands for. We will be adding, subtracting using the column method, as well as looking at 2-D and 3-D shapes, lines of symmetry and vertices. We will recap our knowledge on length, height, position and capacity as well as developing our mastery knowledge by using different methods and explaining how we answered each question.

English

We visit our library on a **Wednesday**. We will be reading a variety of books, with a focus on narratives, with texts linking to London and The Great Fire of London. We will retell stories, changing parts of them and have a go at writing our own, using expanded noun phrases and conjunctions. We will continue to use Little Wandle for our phonics lessons, focussing on recapping our phase 2, 3 and 5 knowledge. These lessons will be adapted and targeted to where the children are in their learning.

Science

We will be investigating the properties and uses of materials. We will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials and find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

PSHE

We will be discussing the things the children have in common with their friends, classmates, and other people. We will learn how friends can have both similarities and differences. We will talk about how to play and work cooperatively in different groups and situations, as well as how to share their ideas and listen to others, take part in discussions, and give reasons for their views.

History

In History, we will be finding out about the Great Fire of London. We will discover how it started, why it lasted so long and how it finally went out.

Computing

We will be exploring algorithms and online safety through using iPads and Purple Mash—don't forget you can access Purple Mash at home!

PE

Our PE days are Monday and Friday—please ensure your child's PE Kit is in school at all times.

Maple Class Wild Woods session is on **Tuesday**. **See classroom door for more information.**

RE

We will be looking at special occasions. We will think about the special times the children have with their families and how people of different religions celebrate their special times.

Design and Technology

In Design and Technology, we will be exploring how to create different structures by building, connecting, and folding. We will be evaluating our structures and discuss how we can develop them in the future to become stronger and more resilient to our tests.

We will be looking for donations of junk modelling materials— please speak to the class teacher about donations.

How can you help?

- Read all kinds of books, both fiction and non-fiction.
- Can you talk about the books? What is your favourite part?
- Write stories.
- Read and write numbers in words as well as digits.
- Tell the time – o'clock, half-past, quarter past and quarter to. How many minutes in an hour, half an hour? How many hours in a day?
- Use money – which coins can you recognise? How much do you have? Can you add some coins together? How much change will you get?
- Correct your child's spelling in homework and other activities.
- Say the months of the year in order. How many months are there? Which is your favourite and why? Can you spell the months correctly?
- Discuss the weather and the changing seasons.
- Find out about The Great Fire of London.
- Be inclusive, ambitious, resilient and curious.
- Be ready, respectful, safe and kind.