

Years 2 Curriculum Letter - Autumn Term 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We're so excited to welcome everyone back for a brand-new school year! 🎉 We hope you all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to the exciting year ahead.

This term, our big topic is 'London's Burning', where we'll be travelling back in time to explore the events of the Great Fire of London, discovering how it started, what happened and the impact it had on London.

Over the coming weeks, Year 2 will be taking part in lots of exciting learning experiences across the curriculum, including:

Maths Our units of work this term will include: • Place Value • Addition and Subtraction • Shape Children will also take part in daily mental maths sessions and will continue working towards their times table challenges. 	English Our English lessons this term will focus on the following texts:  • If I Were in Charge of the World - Poetry • The Great Fire of London - Non-fiction diary writing • The Friendship Bench - Narrative writing • The Day the Crayons Quit - Non-fiction persuasive letter writing • My Christmas Star - Narrative writing Alongside our English units, children will take part in daily phonics and handwriting sessions. Grammar, punctuation and spelling skills will also be taught and reinforced throughout our English lessons.		
Science  In science, we will be developing our enquiry and research skills while learning about animals' needs for survival, humans, and materials and their properties.	ICT Our ICT lessons will focus on online safety, coding and spreadsheets. 	Geography  Year 2 will be exploring our 'Let's Explore London' unit. We will learn about significant London landmarks and use simple compass directions, alongside directional language, to describe routes and locations on a map.	History We will be finding out about significant events beyond living memory through our study of the Great Fire of London. 

PE Year 2 PE lessons will take place on <u>Wednesdays and Fridays.</u> PE kits will remain in school. For safety reasons, children must not wear any jewellery during PE lessons, including earrings.	RE Our work will explore the big question 'What is the good news that Jesus brings?' 	Music Our music units this term will include I Wanna Play in a Band, as well as preparing for our Key Stage 1 Christmas Production. 	Art/DT In art, we will be exploring cityscapes and creating our own artwork inspired by urban landscapes. In DT, we will investigate wheels, axles and mechanisms before designing and making our own model fire engines. 
PSHE Our PSHE themes this term will include: • What makes a good friend? • Feeling lonely and managing disagreements • What is bullying? • Showing respect for others		Visits and Visitors Details of any visits and visitors will be confirmed later in the term.	
Homework: All children should read with an adult every day and have their reading record signed regularly. Please also practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables at home. 			
Hinguar Star If your child reads to an adult at home five times each week, they will receive a Hinguar Star badge at the end of each term. If you are able to offer any time to support in your child's class, please speak to the class teacher so that arrangements can be made.			
General Notices: Pupils may come into school from 8.35am and should be in the classroom ready to learn by 8.45am. Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school each day. If you need to speak to the class teacher, you can: • Write a note in the home/school contact book • Leave a message with the school office • Email office@hinguar.secat.co.uk • Speak to the teacher at the end of the school day Please wait until the teacher has safely dismissed all children to their parents or carers before approaching them. This helps us to ensure all children are handed over safely at the end of the day. 			