History and Geography

During this unit the children will learn about two significant events: The Great Fire of London and the Gunpowder Plot.

They will learn about and compare aspects of life during the reigns of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth I.

The children will be able to identify the 4 countries of the UK, their capitals and surrounding seas.

Art and Design Technology

This unit will allow the children to build upon their knowledge of significant artists, paying particular attention to London born artist, Joseph Turner. The children will have the opportunity to create their own royal portraits and Turner inspired landscapes to develop their painting techniques, such as brush strokes and experimenting with colour.

The children will also embark on the challenge of making a free standing structure of the London Eye!

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Physical Education

This term the learning in PE is Fundamental Movement Skills and gymnastics.

Music

From body percussion to disco music, this term develops children's understanding of pulse and rhythm. They will perform actions and movements to a steady pulse and learn songs to explore the difference between pulse and rhythm, working as a class and in small groups.

Science

Focusing on buildings in London, the children will learn about suitability of different materials for different purposes and how they are changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

They will learn about human lifecycles, using the Royal Family as examples.

Children will find out about the importance of diet, exercise and hygiene and how this has changed since the time of the Great Fire of London.

Computing

The children will learn all about the importance of online safety, including understanding their digital footprints and sending and receiving emails. They will also use technology to help them question and research effectively.

Religious Education

Our RE learning is this term is focussed on: Our Wonderful World, The Islamic creation story, the Qur'an and the Islamic prophet, symbols and artefacts, the Mosque, comparing Christian and Islamic prayer, faiths and customs, and Belonging.

Experiential learning

The children will participate in an exciting learning experience about why the Great Fire of London occurred. They will also participate in drama on this historic event.

PSHRE (using 'One Decision')

Our PSHRE learning is based around Keeping Healthy (including healthy eating and brushing teeth), Staying Safe, Being Responsible, Practice makes Perfect and Helping Someone in need.