

## Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you've all enjoyed the break. It's great to see the children settling back into school life and resuming their learning so well.

Overleaf you will find a theme overview for this first half of the Spring Term, detailing our learning objectives. Our theme is 'London's Burning' which will focus on a very famous event in our history; The Great Fire of London. We will link this to our PSHE topic around keeping safe and we're looking forward to a visit from the Fire Brigade safety team, later in the half term.

Our PE day this half-term is **Monday** and children should arrive at school in their PE kit on this day please.

Our PPA activities afternoon is Wednesday, led by Mrs Webb, Mrs Bradbury, Mrs Cox and Mrs Hiscock. Your child will be participating in cooking, art, music or computing on a weekly rota.

We will give spellings to all children on Mondays to practise during the week, and they will be tested on Fridays. Please encourage your child to practise often, every day if possible, to help them retain new words and spelling patterns.

Maths challenge books will continue to be sent home every Friday. Please bring them back into school by the following Thursday.

One of the most effective ways you can support your child's learning is through their reading. Reading is so very important to children's learning and progress and we are keen to send reading books home with children. All children should have brought a reading book home. Please continue to hear your children read daily or read to them for 10 minutes. We ask that they read a book 3 times (unless reading longer, chapter books) before returning it for a new one. We will be talking to the children about how to be successful and responsible readers in class. Read, read is our motto!

Thank you for your support, if you have any queries or would like to discuss your child's learning, please catch us at the door, or contact the office and we will be happy to arrange an appointment.

We are looking forward to a fun and successful year!

Yours sincerely,

The year 2 team - 2KA - Mrs Arnell, Mrs Cox and Mrs Jacobs 2GC -Mrs Gibbins and Mrs Hiscock and Mrs Jacobs









