

# KS1 Newsletter

December 2018

What another fantastic term! We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your continued support this year. We wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a healthy and happy new year!

KS1 team ☺

## Christmas performance

'I didn't like it...I loved it!' What an amazing performance from our lower school. All the children tried really hard with learning their lines, songs, actions and the order. We were incredibly proud of them! And every single child sparkled and shone!



## Great fire of London

KS1 have really enjoyed researching and learning about The Great Fire of London within our English lessons. We learnt and retold the story of Tommy and the Great Fire of London, before writing our own non-chronological reports.

Thank you so much for your support with our Great Fire event this term. Please see the whole school newsletter and the website for photographs of the afternoon.



"The firefighters told us how to keep safe in a fire." Year 1

### **Next term...**

After Christmas, we will be starting our new topic called 'Around the world in 80 days'. We will be learning a story about an explorer called Phileas Fogg, whose ambition was to travel the world. He believed that he could do it in 80 days, although no one believed him, so he set himself the challenge.

We will be:

- Learning about different cultures from around the world e.g. foods, music.
- Learning about animals from around the world.
- Comparing Bradley Stoke to other towns around the world.

Our topic web will be online at the beginning of January with more information.

### **Key skills**

Securing fluency with key skills is an important part of our school and home learning.

Big Maths facts and key spellings will be practised and checked on a **Thursdays**.

Remember you can find all these documents on the school website, under Parents – Helping your child.



### **Outdoor learning**

Our outdoor learning lessons will be every Monday afternoon.



Please ensure that your child has a warm coat and a pair of wellies in school.

### **Reading Challenge**

The KS1 reading challenge has been a great success over the last few weeks. We have seen vast improvements in the amount of reading children are doing at home. Please encourage your children to continue this next term!

### **Word Wizards**

As part of our whole school development plan, Team Bowsland are exploring ways of developing a rich vocabulary. In Key Stage One we will be nominating word wizards who have used our new words both in class discussion and in their writing. If you receive a text about your child being a word wizard, please talk to them about the words they have used.

