Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had another successful half term in year 2 and have produced some fabulous work. The year 2 team look forward to our exciting new topic for the start of our summer term and we have some brilliant ideas of fun learning in which the children can get completely immersed into. Please see below an overview of what we may cover while learning about 'The Great Plague'. We are continuing to prepare the children for SATs, we will deliver this in the same way as other lessons in year 2- in small groups with experienced adults. Please continue to be supportive with your child in the lead up to SATs. This should feel like a natural part of their schooling. Home learning will be sent home with your child every Wednesday, this should not be forced only encouraged.

<u>Maths</u>

This term we will be focusing on

- Weight and capacity
- Addition and subtraction
- Money
- Shape
- Patterns

History and Geography

- Children will study the Stuart period with a focus on 'The Great Plague'
- Children will locate areas in the UK that were affected by The Great Plague.
- We will compare landscapes from then and now.

<u>Science</u>

- This term in Science we will be looking at the uses of everyday materials.
- Linking with our D & T we will be finding the most suitable materials to use when making a rat trap.

<u>English</u>

We have slightly adapted how we approach the teaching of Reading and Writing in KS1. We now teach a short phonics session every day where the children attend their Read Write Inc group, but the main teaching consists of Guided Reading. The children complete spelling, grammar, punctuation and writing activities across the week, and this has had an incredible impact on the children's confidence with both reading and writing.

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Great Plaque

RE

<mark>Art</mark>

- Children will make clay model houses and rats.
- The children will use their painting skills to finish their models.

<u>PE</u>

- Children will be focusing on gymnastics this term.
- They will create routines to music depicting The Great Plague Indoor PE will take place in our school hall every Tuesday afternoon and an outdoor session once a week being weather dependent

<u>Computin</u>

 Children will be researchers in computing this term and will learn how to find new information about our exciting topic.

• We will be looking at how to

empathise with others.

SMSC

 During RE year 2 will learn to write prayers and poetry for the children in 'The Great Plague'