



# Rowena Academy

Curriculum Information for parents / carers  
Our topics for the rest of the year will be:  
"Past and Present" and "Our Place".



Our topic for this half term is "Past and Present". We will be focusing on the story of The Great Fire of London 1666.

As part of our topic we will be visiting St Peter's Church.

Year One  
Summer Term 2014

## Areas of Learning

### Maths

In Maths we will be working on Unit 3 in each of the following areas:

- Counting, Partitioning and Calculating.
- Securing Number Facts.
- Handling Data and Measures.
- Understanding Shape.
- Securing Number Facts and Relationships.

### Literacy

This term in Literacy we will be learning about the following types of text:

- Traditional stories.
- Non-fiction texts relating to our topics.
- Stories by the same author.

### Dates for your diary

Bank Holiday - school closed -  
Monday 5th May  
Disco - Thursday  
22nd May  
School closes -  
Thursday 22nd May  
**HALF TERM**  
School reopens -  
Monday 2nd June  
Summer Fayre and  
Mini Marathon -  
Friday 4th July  
End of Year Disco  
- Thursday 17th  
July  
School closes -  
Friday 18th July  
**END OF TERM**

## Science

In Science children will learn about plants and animals in the local environment. The children will be investigating where different plants and animals are found, how plants and animals grow and reproduce.

You might want to log on to Purple Mash to access their 'Science' section to complete the following activities:

- Plants.
- Change Science.
- Health and Growth.

## ICT

We will be learning to use the following programmes:

Word - using text tools to present our written work and adding pictures and photographs about our visit to St Peter's Church.

Purple Mash - DIY - children to create their own 3D computer game.

Internet Explorer - BBC website - to research Samuel Pepys then write a diary entry using Purple Mash.

Purple Mash - 2Create - to retell the sequence of events in the Great Fire of London 1666.

PowerPoint—producing a presentation about Conisbrough.

We will also be using a digital camera, voice recorders and data handling software.

We will use the internet including Google Maps to research our local area.

## Cross Curricular Themes

Exploring patterns in our local environment.

Our Design and Technology project will be using 3D modelling to construct their own home.

We will be developing our skills in History through investigating the story of The Great Fire of London.

Investigating Conisbrough - expressing their views of the local environment and how it has changed also looking at the history and traditions of St Peter's Church.

**Having fun together at home you could....**

Look on the internet at Google Maps to explore where you live.

Investigate the plants and animals found in the areas near to your house.

Talk about how Conisbrough and the local area has changed over time.

**Please continue to support your child at home by also:**

- Ensuring your child brings their book to school regularly and enjoys reading with you at home.
  - Practising letter recognition and formation.
  - Practising High Frequency words.
  - Practising I Can Spells.
  - Using Purple Mash.
  - Using Phonics Bug.
  - Visiting the Kid Zone of the School website:  
[www.rowenaacademy.org.uk](http://www.rowenaacademy.org.uk).
  - Completing our weekly homework tasks.
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