

College Town Primary School



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Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

February 2026

This half term, the children in Year 1 have been learning about the Great Fire of London. The children were very engaged with this topic and could recall lots of the facts and details. Also, in our Art learning we created a Great Fire of London city scene using pens and chalk pastels.

We have read *The Comet* by Joe Todd-Stanton and this inspired us to write our own stories that we titled ‘The Shooting Star!’ Before writing our story we spent time some time asking and writing questions, choosing adjectives and using them in noun phrases and writing as a character to express feelings. We then moved on to reading the book ‘Astro Girl’ by Ken Wilson-Max. The children wrote a letter and a fact-file all based on space, we have enjoyed learning about how to become an astronaut.

In Mathematics, Year 1 have been learning more about place value working with numbers to 20. They worked to order the numbers and compare them using the signs $<$, $>$ and $=$. Recently, they have also been learning more about addition and subtraction and using their knowledge of number bonds to help them.

PE this term has been lots of fun with the children learning balances and moves that can make to out together their own gymnastics routines.

In the afternoons the classes have also been doing RE, Computing and Science. In RE, the children have learnt about Judaism and they have investigated some of the key artefacts of the Jewish faith. In Computing, we have learnt how to log on to the school laptops. Whilst in Science, we have been learning about parts of our bodies and what they’re used for, in particular the five senses.

Dates for the diary:

- **Monday 16th—Friday 20th February**
Half term
- **Monday 23rd February**
School starts
- **Thursday 5th March**
World Book Day
(information to follow)
- **Monday 16th—Thursday 19th March**
Book Fair (information to follow)
- **Friday 20th March**
Red Nose Day (information to follow)
- **Wednesday 25th March**
Animal UK visiting school
(information to follow)
- **Thursday 26th March**
Rocksteady concerts
- **Friday 27th March**
Last day of term
- **Monday 13th April**
First day of term

Reminders

Please remember to send your child in with a water bottle and a coat. Please also make sure all uniform is correctly named so we can return it to the right owner. PE day is Friday, read books due in every day, class bear diary is due in on a Tuesday. MyMaths homework is set each week, your child should have been given a login card, please let us know if you need another one.

Don't forget to look at our school website:
www.collegetownprimary.com/ for any updates.

The next half-term we will be learning:

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In Maths we will be covering Place Value within 50 before moving on to look at length and height followed by Mass and volume. Our English lessons will be using the stories of 'Lubna and Pebble' and 'Iggy Peck, Architect' to inspire the children to write for different purposes. They will write notes, thought bubbles advice post-cards and instructions as well as sending letters and creating posters.

In the afternoons our focus will be on Animals in Science and we hope to give the children the opportunity to see some animals up close. In Geography we will be learning about London and some of its famous landmarks. From this we will then get the opportunity to create our own models of Tower Bridge in DT.

