



Holy Rosary

RC Primary School

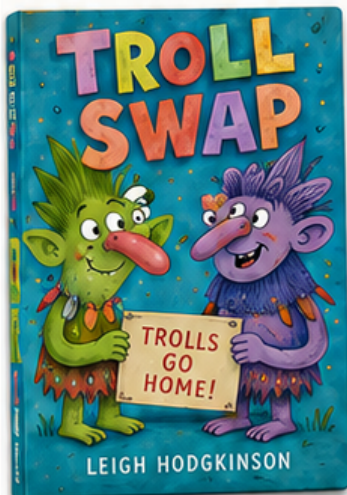


Year 2 Parent Guide – Autumn Term

A snapshot of what your child will be learning this term

Our Pathways to Write Texts

Autumn 1



“Troll Swap”
by Leigh Hodgkinson
with *Trolls Go Home*
by Alan MacDonald

Children will explore imaginative characters, humour and the idea of swapping places.

Writing outcome:
Fiction: story with a focus on characters

Children will invent contrasting characters and write their own swap story ideas.

Autumn 2



“The Great Fire of London” by Emma Adams

Children will learn about an important event from the past and build their historical knowledge through reading and writing.

Writing outcome:
Non-fiction: fact sheet

Children will organise facts and present information clearly about the Great Fire of London.

In English, children will also develop



using expanded noun phrases



joining ideas using *and*, *but* and *or*



explaining using *because*



writing statements, questions, exclamations and commands



spelling common exception words and -ly words



using commas in a list

Autumn Curriculum Overview



Science

- Animals including humans – offspring
- Uses of everyday materials and their suitability



Geography

- What is London like now?
- The UK surrounding seas
- The seven continents and five oceans



History

- How did the Great Fire change London?
- 1661AD–1666AD



Art & Design

- Drawing
- Explore & draw



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- Textiles
- Simple joining and textiles



Maths

- Place value
- Addition and subtraction
- Shape



RE / Personal Development

- building positive relationships
- respect, belonging and safety

How you can help at home



Read regularly together and talk about the characters and events in the story.



Practise number facts, counting and simple addition and subtraction at home.



Talk about materials you use every day and why they are suitable for their jobs.



Look at maps, globes or atlases together and find the continents, oceans and London.



Talk about the Great Fire of London and encourage your child to explain their ideas in full sentences.

Our school values

Faith • Love • Joy • Committed • Belong

Thank you for supporting your child's learning at home.





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Page 2: Helping Your Child at Home

Simple weekly ideas, useful links and resources to support learning at home

Our weekly home-learning routine

1



Read together for 10 minutes each day

2



Practise phonics, spelling and common exception words little and often

3



Encourage your child to explain their thinking in full sentences

4



Count, compare, add and subtract in everyday life

5



Notice the world around you and talk about places, materials and history

Autumn 1 – Weekly learning and parent activities

Week 1



Learning: Troll Swap

Try this at home: Talk about the two trolls. How are they similar and different? Draw your own funny character.

Week 2



Learning: Characters and story writing

Try this at home: Act out a scene from the story and retell what happened first, next and last.

Week 3



Learning: Animals including humans – offspring

Try this at home: Match baby animals to their adults and talk about how young animals grow.

Week 4



Learning: What is London like now?

Try this at home: Look at pictures of London and name famous landmarks you can spot together.

Week 5



Learning: Place value

Try this at home: Count objects in groups, make 2-digit numbers and compare which is greater or smaller.

Week 6



Learning: Textiles and simple joining

Try this at home: Practise joining materials using paper, fabric scraps or tape to make a simple design.

Autumn 2 – Weekly learning and parent activities

Week 1



Learning: The Great Fire of London

Try this at home: Talk about what happened in 1666 and sequence the main events in order.

Week 2



Learning: Fact writing

Try this at home: Find 3 facts about the Great Fire of London and say them aloud clearly.

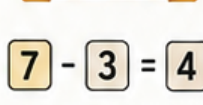
Week 3



Learning: Uses of everyday materials

Try this at home: Find objects around the house and discuss which materials they are made from and why.

Week 4



Learning: Addition and subtraction

Try this at home: Use toys, coins or snacks to make addition and subtraction number sentences.

Week 5



Learning: Shape

Try this at home: Go on a shape hunt around the house and sort 2D and 3D shapes you notice.

Week 6



Learning: Continents, oceans and review

Try this at home: Use a globe or map to find continents and oceans, then talk about favourite learning from the term.

Useful websites and resources



Oxford Owl
home.oxfordowl.co.uk
- free ebooks, phonics and reading help



PhonicsPlay
phonicsplay.co.uk
- phonics games and practice



Topmarks
topmarks.co.uk
- maths and phonics games



BBC Bitesize
bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary
- short videos and activities



BookTrust
booktrust.org.uk
- book recommendations and reading ideas



NumBots
play.numbots.com
- early number fluency practice

Please speak to school if you would like more ideas or extra support at home.



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