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This half term, Year 2 have been learning all about *Creation and Covenant*. We thought about how everything God made is precious and talked about ways we can look after our wonderful world. The children made their own promises to care for creation, like turning off lights, recycling, and being kind to others. They also enjoyed acting out a baptism, showing how we are welcomed into God's family. A special highlight was when everyone received their own Bible, they were so excited, and it reminded us how precious God's word is!



This half term in DT, the children created their own class blanket. The children learned how to cut fabric, thread a needle, and sew a few stitches to join their pieces together. For many, it was their first time using real sewing techniques—and they showed fantastic focus, patience, and pride in their work! The final blanket is a beautiful, small patchwork of creativity and team-work. It's a wonderful reminder of what we can achieve when we work together and try something new.



This half term, Year 2 have been captivated by our history topic, *The Great Fire of London*. From discovering how the fire began in a bakery on Pudding Lane in 1666 to exploring how it changed London forever, the children have been full of curiosity and brilliant questions! We imagined what life was like at the time and even wondered what might have happened if the fire had never started. A highlight was meeting a real firefighter, who told us all about his job and how fires are fought today. The children were amazed to learn how modern buildings and safety rules keep us safe—and we all had a laugh when Miss Maskery tried on the firefighter's uniform!



In English the children have been learning about Character Descriptions, Poetry and Simple retelling of a narrative. The children have shown fantastic creativity and imagination as they developed their writing skills. There are still many more topics the children will be learning about over the next month!

This term in Reading, Year 2 have been diving into a wide range of exciting and inspiring texts! We began by exploring stories like *Grandad's Island* and *The Goose That Laid the Golden Egg*, which sparked brilliant discussions about kindness, adventure, and choices. Alongside our storybooks, we've read a fantastic variety of non-fiction texts, answering retrieval questions and building our comprehension skills. Topics have included: Reindeer, Bees, Antarctica, Dung Beetles, Women of Science, Foxes, The Solar System, Life Cycle of an Oak Tree, Javan Rhinos and many more!

This term in Geography, we have been learning about human and physical features. Towards the end of November, we're looking forward to going on a local area walk, where we'll spot and record all the human and physical features we can find in our community. It's a great chance to see geography in action and connect our learning to the world around us! Next, we'll be diving into Small area of UK and non-European study and looking at the difference between London and Kenya/Nairobi. We'll explore how the two places are similar and different, looking at homes, transport, weather and daily life.

Year 2 have worked incredibly hard this half term—it's been such a busy and exciting time, filled with so many brilliant moments. I am incredibly proud of everything the children have achieved this half term. As we look ahead, we have a very exciting few weeks to come, including our Nativity performance, a local area walk and of course, the joy of Christmas celebrations. There's so much to look forward to!