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Dear Parents and Carers,

GREAT FIRE OF LONDON EXPERIENCE DAY
WEDNESDAY 7th JANUARY 2026

We are excited to announce that Year 2 will be taking part in a Great Fire of London Experience Day on Wednesday 7th January 2026. To help bring our learning to life, we would love the children to come to school dressed in 1666-style clothing. There is no need to buy anything new - simple, homemade outfits are perfect. Below are some costume ideas that can be created using items you may already have at home:

For Boys



- **Baker / Thomas Farriner–style outfit:** white shirt, dark trousers, apron, simple cap
- **Chimney sweep:** black trousers, black top, smudged "soot" face paint, flat cap, cardboard brush
- **Apprentice boy:** loose shirt, waistcoat, simple belt, cap, rolled-up sleeves
- **Merchant's son:** plain shirt, short cape (a blanket works), knee-length trousers, tall socks

For Girls



- **Shopkeeper or baker's daughter:** simple dress or long shirt with skirt, apron, bonnet
- **Milkmaid:** long skirt, plain top, apron, headscarf, small bucket or jug
- **Servant girl:** long dark skirt, white apron, mop cap or headscarf
- **Village child:** plain dress, shawl (small blanket), simple headscarf
- **Merchant's daughter:** long dress, ribbon belt, simple bonnet

Neutral / Any Child

- **Fire watcher:** long tunic or shirt, cloth cap, cardboard "fire hook" or bucket
- **Market seller:** apron, basket of pretend fruit/veg, simple cap or scarf

Thank you for your support in helping make this day memorable and engaging for the children. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Miss K Aldiss
Class Teacher