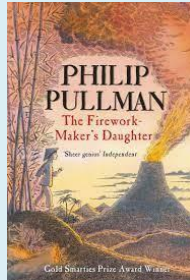


Writing:

Children will create an acrostic poem about a volcano. They will also be creating a newspaper report about a natural disaster.

Reading:

We are going to be reading 'The Firework Makers Daughter' in our class guided reading sessions.



Our topic this half term is: Tremors



What impact do volcanoes and earthquakes have on their surrounding environment?

Maths:

Understanding the concept of division and multiplication using arrays and grouping. Looking at the value of coins and how to receive change. Look at how to understand and interpret data and graphs.

Computing:

Learn how to create an animation video linked to a piece of music.

RE:

Describe what 'remembering' means and discuss the importance of remembering Passover for Jews.

PE:

Focus on dynamic balance and static balance and coordination through ball skills in Real PE.

Music:

Children will learn to sing, play, improvise and compose with the song 'Three Little Birds' by Bob Marley.

Geography:

Begin to understand the different layers that make up our planet. Understand how these layers can contribute to natural disasters.

Hook:

We will be immersing the children into our new topic by recreating a volcanic eruption, engaging the different senses and generating discussions about natural disasters.

Express:

We will end our topic by creating our own volcanoes and labelling the different parts. We then will erupt the volcanoes on the playground!

Science:

Identify and describe the functions of different parts of plants. We will investigate how water is transported through plants and explore the part flowers play in the life cycle.



PSHE: Dreams & Goals

Children will learn how to identify the strengths of themselves and of others. Children will also identify the benefits of working in groups to solve problems.

Art:

Study the work of Andy Goldsworthy. Observe his stone sculptures and create their own versions.



Home learning activities!

PE:

Our PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday

Please send children into school wearing their PE kit on these days.

Maths

We will begin to test times tables in Year 3 so challenge your child at home with their multiplication. They should already know their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and should now start to revise their 3, 6, 4 and 8's. ,

TTRS is a great app that will support with times tables.



Reading:

Please encourage your child to read and change their reading book so that they can fill up their passport and achieve more success with their reading. Remember there are awards for when they complete a passport.

It would be helpful to encourage your child to check if the text makes sense to them by discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of new words in other contexts.

Creative Zone

This half term, we will be exploring volcanoes and earthquakes, finding out why these natural disasters happen and the effects they have on peoples' lives.

At home, children could:

- Design a poster to show a volcanoes main features, labelling the important parts.
- Create and make an earthquake-proof house that prevents it collapsing when being shook.
- Make a 3D volcano for our topic display.

Dates

Monday 6th January –
Return to School

Friday 14th February –
Last day of term

