

English

Reading

The children will be developing their reading skills whilst reading 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit this half-term. We will also be exploring newspaper reports for our non-fiction focus.

Fiction

For our fictional writing piece, the children will be writing diary entries from the point of view of one of the children from our class text 'Escape from Pompeii'.

Non-fiction

Our main writing focus is a non-fiction newspaper report this half term and the children's writing will give them opportunities to use sub-headings, conjunctions and subordination.

Maths

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In maths, the children will explore the topics of multiplication and division in further detail, covering subjects such as:

- Multiplying and dividing using a formal written method.
- Linking multiplication and division facts
- Scaling

The pupils will also learn how to measure in millimetres and centimetres to find the length of objects and also calculate their perimeter.

Geography

Children will learn to be able to identify locations of and describe and understand the physical processes of mountain formation, earthquakes and volcanoes, considering the effects of the latter on local people. They will then apply this knowledge to rocks discovered locally.

Music

In music, the children will explore a pentatonic scale with voices and instruments, while also learning about pitch, dynamics, tempo and structure within the theme of 'mountains'.

Computing

In their computing lessons, the children will spend this half-term learning what simulations are and what their purpose is. They will then move on to working through simulations to analyse and evaluate them.

Extreme Earth



PSHE

In PSHE, the children will be learning about different family traditions and routines, what makes their families unique and how some families may be different to others.

RE

In their RE lessons this half-term, the children will learn about spirituality and how it is expressed in certain religions and cultures. They will then explore their own creative ways that spirituality can be expressed.

French

Our next French topic is 'on fait la fête'. The children will be taught how to discuss their achievements, birthday greetings and the names of the months.

PE

Our PE topics this half term will be gymnastics and tennis. In these topics the children will develop their balance, coordination and accuracy.

Science

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The children of Year 3 will learn through the focus on rocks to:

- Describe how fossils are formed.
- Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.
- Study a different variety of rocks and classify them.
- Use microscopes and record findings in different data handling ways.

Art

In art, the children will be learning to see the world like an artist, focusing on shapes, simple forms, tone, shading and texture.

Mandarin

This half-term, the pupils will continue to have weekly Mandarin lessons, taught by a specialist Mandarin teacher,

