

Curriculum Information
Why do we have earthquakes, volcanoes and tsunamis?
Term 4 2023-2024
Year 3

English – Term 4

We will continue to read: *The Firework Maker's Daughter* by Philip Pullman to support our writing. In addition to this, we will read *The Land of Roar* by Jenny McLachlan as a class for pleasure. During our reading lessons, we will practise our fluency whilst developing our stamina and comprehension skills.

In our **writing** we will be learning to write:

- A diary entry from the point of view of Lila from *The Firework Maker's Daughter*.
- A letter – also inspired by *The Firework Maker's Daughter*
- We will work on creating different sentence types.

Spelling

This term, we will practise our red words as they are tricky because they can't be sounded out.

Maths

In maths this term, we will continue our learning of multiplication and division with a focus on multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers. We will also move onto learning about length and perimeter.
Don't forget to keep practising your times tables on TTRS.

P.E.

With Mrs Emery, the children will learn skills associated with playing Tag Rugby including throwing and catching the ball, defending using tags and using a forward pass. With class teachers, the children will access Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA). This will develop team building and simple map reading.



This term, children will learn about volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis. We will look at their causes and the effects that they have on both human and physical Geography.

Geography

During the '**Why do we have earthquakes, volcanoes and tsunamis?**' Geography enquiry, the children will learn about the different layers of the Earth, including plate tectonics and their potential effects on the Earth's surface. They will also learn about volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis and the long and short-term consequences that these can have.

DT: This term we will be learning about leavers and pulleys. We will study existing products, create a design using leavers and pulleys, make and then evaluate our product.

Significant Life

Our significant figure this term is Harriet Tubman. Children will learn about her life and her achievements.

Computing

Children will develop their understanding of what a branching database is and how to create one. They will use yes/no questions to gain an understanding of what attributes are and how to use them to sort groups of objects.

Music

In music this term, children will continue to learn how to read staff and rhythmic notation. They will compose and notate a simple 8 bar piece in a small group. They will also continue their learning of the notes C and D on the recorder and perform along to a backing track.

Science

We will be studying biology in our Science lessons with a particular focus on plants. Children will understand what a plant needs in order to flourish, the function of parts of a plant and how water is transported in plants. They will develop their enquiry skills through observing plants over time to see how they change and develop.

French

In French this term, we will be learning the vocabulary for different modes of transport.

PSHE

In term 4 we will be teaching the Sex Education part of our Relationships, Sex and Health Education curriculum. We will be using the SCARF Sex and Relationships materials to deliver this teaching.

RE

Our RE learning this term will focus on Christianity. Children will learn about Christian's beliefs about the life of Jesus focussing on Christian teachings about Holy week and Easter. Children will also visit a church to consolidate their learning.