

Year 3
Spring 2

Curriculum Newsletter



Important Dates:

World Book Day: Thursday 6th
March.

Comic Relief: Friday 21st March

In English, your child will write:

A narrative ending in 3rd person about some children escaping the eruption of Mount Vesuvius using: rich vocabulary, appropriate punctuation including inverted commas, a variety of conjunction, and fronted adverbials.

A poem 'I am a volcano' with a variety of poetic techniques such as similes, personification and onomatopoeia. They will also have a chance to perform their poem out loud.

In Maths, your child will:

- Arrange fraction on a number line
- Compare and order unit fractions
- Compare and order non-unit fractions
- Recognise different fraction families
- Find equivalent fractions with visuals
- Make connections between equivalent fractions
- Use Cuisenaire rods to add and subtract fractions
- Recognise when the denominator is the same, it won't change when adding and subtraction fractions
- Draw simple 2D shapes and match their properties
- Recognise right angles and which are smaller or larger
- Recognise perpendicular, parallel, horizontal and vertical lines on a shape
- Identify and find the perimeter of a shape
- Name, construct and recognise properties of 3D shapes

In Science, your child will know that:

- Materials can be divided into solids, liquids and gases
- Solids hold their shape unless forced to change, Liquids flow easily but stay in their container due to gravity, Gases move everywhere and are not held by gravity in containers and the more viscous a liquid the less runny it is
- Heating causes solids to melt into liquids and liquids to evaporate into gases and Cooling causes gases to condense to liquids and liquids to freeze into solids.
- Different substances change state at different temperatures but the temperature at which given substances changes state is always the same

In DT, your child will:

- Evaluate existing products and consider how they work
- Make a prototype using a range of levers
- Create a design
- Make levers and linkages for their products
- Design the picture that moves and join all the parts together
- Test and evaluate the product

In Geography, your child will know:

- The structure of the Earth
- The structure of a volcano and how it's formed
- The location of the world's famous volcanoes
- The effect of the volcanic eruption in Pompeii
- What causes an Earthquake
- Where the world's biggest Earthquakes occurred
- Longitude and Latitude