



Spring 1



Our Wonderful World!

Our Topic – Year 3

Extreme Earth

Our Enquiry Question

Just how powerful is our world?

Curious



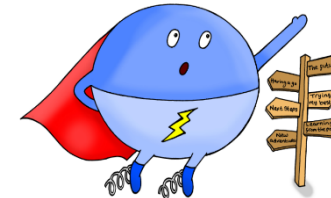
Caring



Creative



Courageous



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English

Year 3 will spend the first few weeks looking at stories that have a link to our topic work. The Wizard of Oz starts with a tornado and children will recreate the drama of this scene in their writing before later completing their own version of the full story. Our next book will be Escape from Pompeii which features the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. The children will use their writing skills to show how the characters would have felt and acted in such a dangerous situation!

Guided Reading and Comprehension sessions will take place weekly; children will complete a series of activities and tasks to support the acquisition and development of reading skills. Regular SPAG sessions will involve looking at more complex spelling patterns and their application.

Maths

In Numeracy, we will be focusing on multiplication and division. We will start by looking at strategies to help us learn our 4- and 8-times table. We will then move on to the formal method of multiplication which will include using practical apparatus and visuals. After that, we will then focus on division and the formal method. This will incorporate the number line method and we will discover what a remainder is.

As always, children will continue to practise their times tables through a number of morning tasks and flashbacks! Keep a look out for those TT Rockstars battles!

Geography

Using a range of mapping technologies, we will investigate where volcanoes and earthquakes happen and the reasons for this. We will be finding out about the different types of volcanoes and the locality of these. We will enjoy some practical geography to show our understanding of how volcanoes and earthquakes are formed. We will be focussing on tectonic plates and how the continents have changed over time and the effects of this. We will then look at how countries have developed to ensure that they can be as safe as possible from natural disasters!

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Art and DT Week

This half term in DT, we will be learning how to construct a castle. Firstly, we will start by researching about castles and what key features they need. We will then design our own castles and construct them using recycled materials and different nets. Finally, finishing off by evaluating how well the castle was constructed.

Science

Children will use a variety of magnets to predict whether magnets will attract or repel each other depending on which poles are facing each other. They will also learn to identify materials that are attracted to magnets. We will also learn about forces and what makes things go faster and slower. Children will become familiar with the term friction and be able to plan their own scientific experiments to test this.

PE

Children will be focussing on their gymnastics skills which will involve all elements of gymnastics and dance including: rolls, jumps, balances and using the apparatus safely. Pupils will also build their fitness which include a range of games.

Music

This term the children are lucky to receive Mrs Anderson from Newcastle Music Service to teach them the Ukulele. Follow our tweets to see how well the children are progressing with this. We will also continue our singing lessons with Newcastle cathedral.

Computing

The children will use the computers to develop a weather report in groups. They will select, and prepare reports by cropping, resizing editing and importing still and moving images into a multimedia presentation. This will eventually lead up to a recording of a weather report on camera using green screen to show images of the weather

Spanish

Senora Dunlop will continue to work with Year 3 and develop their Spanish knowledge, language and understanding.

PSHE

This term we will be focusing on what a community is, investigating rules and laws in the wider society. Children will begin to understand what human rights and responsibilities mean. Children will also continue to investigate how to use the internet safely and look at the reliability and information which can be accessed online.

RE

The children will be learning about Sikhism. We will learn about the teachings of Guru Nanak and his leadership qualities. We will discover the culture of Sikhs by learning about their beliefs, place of worship and the 5 K's.

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Vocabulary

English

Sentence types	Fronted Adverbial
Adjectives	Adventurous Vocabulary
Prefix/suffix	Homophones
Speech Marks	Regular and irregular plurals

Geography

- Volcano
- Earthquake
- Tsunami
- Tectonic plate
- Disaster

Maths

Multiplication	Inverse
Division	Share
Remainder	

Science

- Force
- Push
- Pull
- Magnet/magnetic
- Pole
- North
- South
- Attract