



Welcome back after the half term break! We hope you all had lots of rest and are ready for another exciting half term ahead. We have got lots of exciting learning planned linked with our topic 'What lies beneath the Earth?'. As we come closer to Christmas, we will be designing and making a Christmas cushion as well as welcoming you to our first 'Stay and Craft' event.

THEME AND BIG QUESTION

Volcanoes

What lies beneath the Earth?



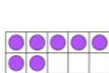
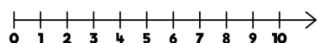
NOTICES

Please remember to bring your child's book bag to school **every day** and check inside for new books and notices. Please ensure that PE kits are worn for PE days, and that they are labelled with your child's name. Remember to label all items of uniform too! **Please can all children bring their water bottles with them every day and filled with water only.**



MATHS

- We will continue to use White Rose Maths planning for our learning.
- Our focus this half term is **addition, subtraction, multiplication and division**. The children will be doing lots of practical learning using place value counters.
- The children will also use a number line to add, subtract and multiply.
- They will continue to use concrete materials such as Numicon, ten frames, counters and 100 squares and times table squares to support with mathematical thinking, reasoning and problem solving.



OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM IS...

FRIENDSHIP



- Monday 4th November** – Back to school
- Thursday 14th November** – School DISCO 3:30 – 4:30
- Friday 15th November** – Children in Need non-uniform day.
- Wednesday 4th December** – Christmas Fair 3:30 – 5:00 pm
- Tuesday 17th December** – Stay and Christmas Craft 9 – 9:30 am
- Thursday 19th December** – Carol Service 11:00 am
- Friday 20th December** – Christmas Jumper Day and breaking up for the Christmas holiday.

ENGLISH



- We be focusing on spelling in Year 3 and revisiting some of the phonics we have learnt previously, to support with spelling unfamiliar words.
- The children will be introduced to the Year 3 and common exception words and use these in their writing.
- The children will begin whole class reading sessions and extra phonics support will be given to children who still need it.
- We will be reading 'Ice Palace' by Robert Swindells, 'Stone Girl, Bone Girl' by Laurence Anholt, as well as reading volcano poems. We will use these books to develop the children's non-fiction and poetry writing whilst also focusing on using correct grammar.
- We will continue to focus on letter formation and handwriting every time we write.



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SCIENCE



Rocks and Soils

- Compare and group together different kinds of rocks based on their appearance and simple physical properties.
- Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.
- Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

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Sikhism

What does it mean to be a Sikh in Britain today?

The children will be learning to:

- Identify who founded Sikhism.
- Identify what Sikhs believe.
- Explore the 5Ks and why they are important to Sikhs.
- Recognise the Guru Granth Sahib.
- Discuss the teachings of the Gurus.

PSHE



Bullying: See it, Say it, Stop it

- Children learn to recognise bullying and how it can make people feel.
- Children learn about different types of bullying and how to respond to incidents of bullying.
- Children learn about what to do if they witness bullying.
- Children apply their learning to everyday practical situations.

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TEXTILES – CUSHIONS

The children will be learning a variety of different sewing techniques and then design and make their own Christmas cushion.

PE



3HG and 3LG – Thursday and Friday

- There will be two PE lessons per week so please ensure PE kits are worn for those days and are fully named including trainers.
- This half term we will be focusing on dance and handball.

GEOGRAPHY



Geography – What lies beneath our feet?

The children will be learning about:

- The structure of the Earth.
- Features of a volcano.
- Famous volcanoes and earthquakes.
- Effects of volcanoes and earthquakes.
- Preparing for an earthquake.
- What it's like living near a volcano.

COMMUNICATION



- Please ensure you check Seesaw regularly. We can give you a new log on for your child(ren) to access their Y3 online journal.
- Also, don't forget to visit our [Facebook](#), and [class webpage](#) to see all our learning in Y3 and school.

HOME LEARNING



- Please read as much as possible with your child. Try and aim to read with your child **daily for at least 10 minutes** and make a short note in their reading diary.
- It is also important that you read to your child as much as possible too!
- Home learning will be given out every at the beginning of the half term and should be returned every time they complete an activity. There will be a balance of English, maths and topic work throughout the year.



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