# We will be exploring ...

'Escape from Pompei' by Christina Balit. The children will be exploring dialogue and techniques to create tension when they write diary entries on how they escape a volcanic eruption. They will also be researching information and writing chronological reports on the eruption of Vesuvius.





In Class Reading, we will be continuing with 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl. We will develop and use the key reading skills: Vocabulary, Infer, Predict, Explain, Retrieve and Summarise.



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# Year 3 Newsletter Summer Term 1 2023

Welcome back to a new term. The year is whizzing past but we have lots of treats still in store this term. We hope you all had a lovely Easter and have recharged your batteries.

Thank you in advance for all of your continued support.

From Mrs McLaughlin, Mrs Ramsdale, Mrs Rammohan, Mrs Henderson, Ms Coates and Ms Austin

# **Important Dates**

Friday 28th April - Own Clothes Day FoR

Monday 1st May - Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May - Bank Holiday (Coronation)

Saturday 13th May—FoR Family board game café

Thursday 18th May- Parents online safety forum

Friday 19th May—KS2 Quiz FoR

#### As Mathematicians we will be...

This term we will be starting off by adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator.

We be finding fractions of amounts. We will also be looking at money. This term we will be continuing to secure our knowledge of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables, while recapping and revising the 2, 5 and 10's. Finally, we will be learning to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes on analogue and digital clocks.







# Year 3 Key Information

- Home Learning Home learning will continue to be set via Seesaw and will be assigned on Fridays. Seesaw learning will include a spelling activity and the children can choose an activity from the Home learning jigsaw puzzle. They will also be assigned an activity on Mathletics. Please can all activities be completed by the following Thursday.
- Reading Children are also expected to read aloud to someone at home and have their reading record completed at least 3 times a week. Bug Club will still be assigned or they can choose a book from the class library.
- Pencil cases are not needed in Year 3.
- Please remember your water bottles.



## How can you help at home?

Continue to encourage your child to read at home every day where possible.

- In addition, please continue to practise common exception words from both Year 1 and 2.
- Please help your child to quickly recall the 3, 4 and 8 times table and related division facts. Please remember to revisit the 2, 5 and 10s times tables and continue to play number bond games to 10 and 20 as well as practicing counting forwards and backwards in 50s.

#### **Useful websites**

http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

http://mathszone.co.uk/

https://community.mathletics.com/signin#/student

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games

 $\underline{\text{https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check}}$ 



# YEAR 3 WIDER CURRICULUM

#### As Geographers,

We will be learning about the destructive powers of nature from volcanoes to earthquakes. We will look at how and why these natural phenomena occur, and the ways in which they affect people and the environment. We will be learning what tectonic plates are and we will identify which plates different countries lie on. We will explore why people live in volcanic areas and what the various benefits of this can be for people, such as fertile soil and mining opportunities.

#### As Scientists...

We will be exploring naturally occurring rocks and their uses, compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance. We will also be carrying out investigations to compare rocks, identify and classify igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks and what soil is made from. In addition, we will learn what fossils are and how they are formed.

#### In Art...

We will be creating sculptures of our favourite book characters using a range of material, trying different techniques to create textures, adding colour to our sculptures and joining two parts.



#### In PE we will be...

Continuing to develop key skills with coach on a Thursday. In our other PE lesson the children will be practising and developing their gymnastic skills.

#### **REMINDER:**

Our PE days are **Tuesday and Thursday.** Please ensure the children come in dressed ready for PE



We will revisit greetings, animals, colours and numbers to 20. We will then move onto developing these further while exploring fruit and vegetable nouns.

### In RE...

We are exploring Sikhism. We will be learning about the importance of sharing to Sikhs and how religious beliefs influence people's behaviour and their way of life.

# In Music...

Children will be singing, composing, performing and evaluating their performances.