

Curriculum Newsletter – Spring 1

Discovery Learning

Science - In Science, our topic this term is Forces. We will be learning about different forces in our world including gravity and its relation to volcanoes. We also will look at magnets and what materials are magnetic. We will also look at what makes a magnet strong!

Design Technology - In DT, we will be designing and making volcanoes, and developing our skills of evaluating before, during and after making.

Geography

It's all about volcanoes and earthquakes and how they happen, locating some of the World's most famous.

History

We will be learning about The Roman Empire, and looking at the natural disaster that befell Pompeii.

Each Tuesday afternoon, children will have the opportunity to work with Mr Bowyers in PE. In Music, the children will be learning about body percussion and rhythm. In French, they will be learning about animals.

Growing Up Skills

Religious Education

We will be learning about Buddhism and how and why Buddhists practice their faith.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning about different computer networks including the internet and how to report unwanted content.

PSHE

We will be participating in the whole school Community Week, and our Spring 1 PSHE focus is on Keeping Safe including on-line and stranger danger.

Special events

We will have a special visitor from Derby Museum on 15th January. On 17th January we will also have a visitor who will lead more exciting STEM activities throughout the day. There will be different theme weeks during the half term on History and Art.

Art

In Art, the children will be improving their sketching skills to depict scenes from Pompeii, specifically people's facial expressions.

English

We will read the story 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman, exploring the interesting characters and write letters using persuasive language. We will also write recounts based on the adventures of the story. We will write explanation texts while reading 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit.

Mathematics

The children will develop their knowledge of counting in 4, 8, 50 and 100, as well as recalling and using the 3, 4 and 8 times tables for multiplying and dividing including writing and calculating mathematical statements, and solving problems relating to missing number problems, positive integer scaling problems and correspondence problems.

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