

Y3 Autumn Term 2 2018	The Big Question...
Topic... Violent Volcanoes	When does a volcano blow its top?



Texts we could read to support our understanding...

- National Geographic Kids Everything Rocks and Minerals: Dazzling Gems of Photos and Info That Will Rock Your World
- The Rock Factory: A Story About Rocks and Stones
- Rock & Fossil Hunter
- Violent Volcanoes (Horrible Geography)



As Historians we will...
(there is no history topic this half term)

As Geographers we will...
be exploding with knowledge all about volcanoes. We will be looking at the human and physical impacts of these.

As Thinkers in RE we will...
be looking at creation from the Christian and the Islamic perspective. We will look at the key beliefs of these religions and move into the Christian celebration of Christmas.

As Thinkers in PSHE we will...
be thinking about how to be respectful towards others and how to be a good friend. We will also be continuing Philosophy for Children and we will continue to get ready to learn using peer massage.

In Literacy we will...

be creating our own suspense stories using Talk for Writing techniques. We will hot seat the characters from our stories and use drama to inspire our innovations. We will be analysing and writing a set of instructions explaining how to make Christmas gingerbread, linking to our DT unit.
We will also take part in guided reading to develop comprehension and appreciation skills; we will also develop spelling. New spellings will continue to be tested each Monday.

Websites to support topic learning at home...

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/materials/rocks_soils/read/
<http://www.dkfindout.com/uk/earth/volcanoes/>
<http://interactivesites.weebly.com/rocks-and-minerals.html>
<https://trockstars.com/>

Reading every night will help my fluency and comprehension. Homework will be set on a Friday and is due in the following Thursday unless specified.

As Scientists we will...
be studying the different types of rocks and soils and their uses. We will look at how they are classified and investigate their different properties.

As Computer Scientists we will...
be working collaboratively through the internet using our school email addresses and Google groups.

As Linguists we will...
be learning the vocabulary for common classroom objects and exploring the French nativity.

As Sportspeople we will...
be finding our inner rhythm, exploring some dance sequences. We will also be developing our attacking and defending skills in games. Year 3 will be continuing to make a splash at Waves this half term.

In Maths we will...

mentally add and subtract numbers from a 3-digit number; learn formal written methods of column addition and subtraction; solve a range of addition and subtraction word problems; multiply and divide 2-digit numbers using appropriate strategies; recall multiplication and division of 3, 4 and 8 x. We will also be introduced to TTRockstars which we can play at home to practise our time tables. We will also continue to look at various objectives during our Talk for Reasoning sessions.

Places for family visits...

- Severn Stories
- Whitley Bay Library
- Hancock Museum

Please help me practise x tables (TTRockstars.com), + facts and number bonds every week too!

As Artists we will...
be focusing on painting skills this half term. We will be learning about primary colours and will be colour mixing to create tints, tones and moods.

As Technologists we will...
get our creative juices flowing, exploring different shapes and size packages before making our own gingerbread to put in them!

As Musicians we will...
be continuing to explore descriptive sounds in music and learning songs for our Christmas production. We will continue our work on the glockenspiel and compose our own piece of music.

As global citizens we will...
be learning how to get on with each other and how to deal with conflict in peaceful ways.