

# Spring 1 2023 Newsletter

Year: 3

## Theme: Extreme Earth

This half-term, our Year 3 theme focuses on Geography and Science

### English

*Escape from Pompeii* by Christina Balit

Your child will:

- Develop their ability to write a setting description, including similes, impactful adjectives and verbs, and accurately writing in the past tense.
- Develop their ability to write a newspaper report, including the use of subordinating conjunctions, adverbs to show time e.g. then, next, soon and possessive apostrophes. This will also include the use of headlines, introductory paragraphs and the correct layout
- Develop their ability to write historical fiction, including use of irregular past tense verbs, correctly punctuated dialogue and apostrophes to mark singular possession.
- Have daily spelling, guided reading and handwriting lessons.

### Mathematics

Your child will:

- Develop their knowledge of multiplication and division.
- Learn how to use grouping and arrays to multiply and divide
- Become fluent in recalling the 3, 4 and 8 times tables (in addition to the tables that they learnt in year 2 (5, 10 and 2 times tables)
- Learn about multiplication and division including the multiplication of two digit numbers by a one digit number. They will use a range of methods including the column method.
- Have daily arithmetic lessons where we will revisit column addition and subtraction
- Daily times table sessions where we will learn our 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

## Wider Curriculum-Please see over page

### Visits and Visitors

We will be visiting the Peak District to support our science topic of Rocks and Soils on March 7<sup>th</sup> (after the holidays)

### Reminders

Tuesday (3W) Friday (3C)	PE-Will be gymnastics and indoors. Please send your child in the school PE kit as detailed in the letter you received. Children will need to remove footwear and socks.
Friday	Spelling test – Your child will be given a spelling practice sheet each week ready for the test on Friday.
At the beginning of the half term	A range of homework activities will be set on seesaw for your child to complete throughout the half term. These activities will enhance their wider curriculum learning.

### How Can You Help?

Please read with your child at least 3 times a week and write it in their diary.  
Learn your child's spellings with them ready for their Friday spelling test.  
Practice your child's times tables as often as possible.  
Check Seesaw regularly for homework, news and to see examples of your child's work.

### Other

**Our drop off is the classroom doors.**

**Drop off: 8:45**

**Pick up: 3:00**

**Thank you for the support in the homework projects that were produced last half term. We look forward to seeing what you produce with your child this half term.**

**If you would like any further information please speak to the class teachers.**

**Thank you.**

**Mrs Cousins, Mr Day and Miss Webb**