

# Year 3 Spring 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday. We have a busy and exciting term ahead. Below is an overview of the forthcoming term. We hope that you find it useful.

Best wishes,

Mrs Sedge (Beech) and Miss Slattery (Ash)

## Topics:

Topic	Active planet
Key question	What effect do Volcanos and Earthquakes have on the planet? 

## Topic/science

Our Topic this term will cover the theme of active planet. We will be investigating and learning about volcanoes and earthquakes. We will conduct an experiment and participate in a school workshop.

Our science covers different states of matter, this includes solids, liquids and gases in which we will carry out an experiments looking at reversible and irreversible reactions.

**Literacy:** In Literacy, we will cover many genres. We will begin with a narrative and will write our own innovated version. We will then move on to performance poetry where the children will get the chance to observe professionals carrying out a performance virtually.

After half term, we will explore adventures stories such as 'The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe' and will learn all skills to write our own adventure story. Towards the end of the term, we will work on creating a non-chronological report link to our topic, Volcanoes and earthquakes.

**Maths:** This term we will focus on each topic for longer to ensure greater depth of learning using the White Rose math's scheme. In the first half term, we will explore multiplication and division using a range of resources and methods. In the second half term, we will explore measurement and fractions.

**PE:** Star Sports will be working with Year 3 for PE this year and will be teaching a range of skills. Sessions will take place on a Monday afternoon so please make sure PE kits are in school on these days.

**Art/DT:** Our Art and DT this term will link to our topic, Science and RE units. We will create our own volcanoes and use it for our science experiments. Later on in the term, we will design a family survival kit for survivors of an earthquake.

**RE:** In RE we will learn about what different people believe about God. We will explore the beliefs of Hindus, Christians and Muslims. Later in the term, we will explore the reasons behind some religious holidays.

**Computing:** In our computing lessons, we will carry on using the program 'Scratch'. We will also investigating how to create a PowerPoint and looking at the software closely to allow us to edit our presentation.

**Music:** In Music, we will continue with the programme of Music Express.

**PSHE:** In PSHE, we will be learning how to maintain a healthy lifestyle physically as well as emotionally. Later in the term, we will focus on identifying the rights and responsibilities of members of the community.

**French:** We will be learning basic vocabulary in French this term, starting with identifying body parts. Then later on, we will be looking at animals.

**Home expectations:** Children to read to an adult daily.

Children to log onto the Bug club website at least twice a week. Maths will be uploaded every Friday for completion over the weekend-deadline Tuesday. In addition to this, TTrackstars children are expected to practice and revisit their times tables twice weekly.

### CREATIVE PROJECTS

Last year, we had some fantastic creative projects and we encourage the classes to be better this term! There are some ideas to choose from listed below. If you have any other ideas, it would be great to see them! Don't forget to bring the work into school to display in class.

Volcanoes and Earthquakes	Different states of matter.
Create your own 3D earthquake. Conduct an experiemnt and document it. Make a poster Diary entry from Pompeii Drawing	Create a leaflet upon liquids, solids and gases. Conduct an experiemnt and document it. Systematical drawing of what happens during change of states of matter. Create your own experiment.