






**Our topic this half term:** Extreme Earth!

**Our books this half term:** Earth Shattering Events, Into the Volcano, Stranded, Fact Planet: Volcanoes.

**Our enrichment this half term:** Art exhibition!

**Project On a Page ideas due in date:** If your child completes any of the Project on a Page suggestions (or one of their own) please bring these into school once completed and we will showcase them as a class and celebrate their work. Thank you.

<p><b>English</b></p>	<p>In English this half term, we will be learning how to write non-chronological reports, with a focus on extreme weather events. We will use the book, 'Earth Shattering Events', to inspire our work. In this unit, we will look at using subordinating conjunctions, the possessive apostrophe and using a colon for a list. Children will have the opportunity to embed these skills through also writing descriptive pieces and some poetry. We will also enhance our class library with a variety of books linked to the topic, to further engage the children in this exciting topic.</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Make a fact file about volcanoes and mountains. Write a story about an adventure to an active volcano. Find as many books about extreme weather as you can and review them.</p>		
<p><b>Maths</b></p>	<p>This half term, we will continue our hard work on multiplication. Following this, we will learn all about area and perimeter, including measuring in kilometres and metres and finding the perimeter of polygons. Our fractions unit will include lots of exciting work on mixed number fractions, improper fractions and adding/subtracting fractions. Our hard work on times tables will continue ahead of the Multiplication Test Check in June 2025!</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Research the height of different volcanoes and record them in a chart.</p>		
<p><b>Science</b></p>	<p>Our science topic this half term is an energy unit about sound and vibrations. Children will learn about sound waves and vibrations, volume, volume and distance, pitch and sound insulation. Once again, this unit will include lots of exciting scientific experiments. There are also lovely links to be made between this unit of work and our geography unit on volcanoes.</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Create your own investigation to test the volume of things, record your results in a table and make your own judgements.</p>		
<p><b>PSHE/RSE</b></p>	<p>Our PSHE topic is 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be looking at how we can set personal dreams and goals and how to overcome potential barriers to our goals. In this unit, we will understand how to navigate the feelings of disappointment and broken dreams. This will lead into being able to focus on new goals and the excitement of the future.</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Create a dreams and goals poster. Research potential future careers and present something you would like to do in the future.</p>		
<p><b>RE</b></p>	<p>In RE, children will be learning about theme of Christianity, focusing on the key question, 'Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?' We will look at texts from the Bible which demonstrate forgiveness. Children will learn how Christians believe that God can help them to show forgiveness.</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Create a poster/video to explain the importance of forgiveness.</p>		
<p><b>PE</b></p>	<p>In PE, we will complete two units, one on netball and one on gymnastics. In netball, we will be focusing on invasion games and how we can use attacking tactics. We will develop our skills on the different types of passes in netball and we will work on working as a team. In gymnastics, we will develop balancing skills such as, front and back support positions and arabesque.</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Choreograph a dance or a gymnastic routine to show a volcanic eruption.</p>		
<p><b>French</b></p>	<p>We will learn how to say classroom items in French. Children will be able to recall from memory a selection of nouns and indefinite articles/determiners for twelve common classroom objects. They will also be able to use the negative in French.</p>	
<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Research about different mountain ranges in France.</p>		
<p><b>Music</b></p>	<p>We are very lucky to be continuing our flute lessons with Lancashire Music Service. This gives children the opportunity to develop their skills on the flute even further!</p>	

Art	<p>In art, we will be learning about still life paintings. In this, we will explore the work of Paul Cezanne and use his work to inspire our own pieces. We will develop skills of using different qualities of line when drawing and explore the work of a variety of traditional and contemporary still life artists. Our final piece will be our own still life paintings; however, we will incorporate the skill of collaging.</p>	
Geography	<p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Paint your own still life painting inspired by Paul Cezanne. Create a volcano picture using collage.</p> <p>Our geography unit this half term is all about volcanoes! We will learn about the layers of the earth such as, the inner core, mantle, crust and outer core. Also, children will learn about tectonic plates when understanding how mountains are formed. We will learn about mountain ranges such as, the Andes, Himalayas, Alps and the Rockies. We will look at why volcanoes happen and where they occur and consider the negative and positives about living near a volcano. Also, we will learn about igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks.</p> <p><b>Project On a Page Idea:</b> Create a diagram of a volcano. Use a world map to highlight all the active volcanoes in the world.</p>	