



Monkton CEP School



Ladybird Class

Newsletter

Term 6- Tremors

In God's eyes, everyone is special.

English

For our final term, we will begin our term researching about the destruction of Pompeii in AD79 following the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. This research will help us write a short story, escape from Pompeii. We will then learn the difference between reported and direct speech, so that we will be able to use this to write a newspaper report on an eruption or earthquake. Finally, we will use what we already know about what happens during a volcanic eruption or earthquake to help us write Volcanic poems. We will be learning what Haikus are before moving onto Rengas then writing Tankas based on the different stages of an eruption.

Science

In Term 6 we will be finding out about rocks, the different types, how they are formed and the processes and in some cases, forces, involved in this. They will compare and group rocks according to physical properties and appearance. They will also learn how fossils are formed before investigating how soil is formed.

Maths

We will continue to focus on times table, with the year 4 children completing the end of lower Key Stage Multiplication Times Table check in June. In lessons, we will be completing time, before moving onto Shape. Properties of 2D and 3D shapes, angles, symmetry then position and direction.

General

Welcome back to the start of the final term in the school year, we hope you all had a lovely half-term break. Our topic for this term is Tremors. We will begin our term exploring rocks, how they are formed and considering what sand is. Mr Howarth will be with us for the first 4 weeks of term before he finishes his student teacher placement at Monkton. The first week back is French week. On Friday 17th June, Class 3 will be running a cake and cookie sale to raise money for Christian Aid as part of their Young Leaders course they have been doing. Any donations of cakes gratefully received.

ICT

In ICT we will be completing our unit from last term, Sequence Sounds, which we were unable to complete due to 2 Bank Holiday Mondays within this period. Our new unit is Repetition in Pattern, using Logo to explore programming.

RE

During the final term we will be considering the question, why do some people think that life is a journey and what significant experiences mark this? Reflecting on this question through what we know about Christians, Hindus and Jewish faiths.

PE

The after-school Team Theme sports club this term is Tennis, space is still available on a Wednesday after school. On Thursday afternoon, the children will be focusing on applying tactics and developing skills in both cricket and hockey by the Team Them coach, Josh. Sports Day will take place on Thur 30th June.

Foundation subjects

History- The destruction of Pompeii AD79, what Roman life was like

Geography- Volcanoes and earthquakes. What are they? How are they formed? What is The Ring of Fire?

Art- Sculpture and photography

Design Technology- Structures to withstand earthquakes

French - Year 3- Euro Stars 1- Unit 6- Ça pousse. Year 4, Eurostars 2- Unit 5- Le Carnaval des Animeux

Music - Ukulele- Kent Music School

PSHE- Young Leaders and Heartsmart- No Way Through isn't True

Vocabulary

Below are some words that the children will come across during their learning that they might be unfamiliar with that you might like to help them understand:

| <u>Science</u> | <u>Topic</u> | <u>Maths</u> | <u>English</u> |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| sedimentary | eruption | parallel | direct speech |
| igneous | seismic | angle | reported speech |
| metamorphic | tsunami | perpendicular | Haiku |
| permeable | tremor | symmetrical | Renga |
| impermeable | crater | properties | Tanka |

Websites

Topic- <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/history/article/pompeii>

Science- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z9bbkqt>

English- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvwwxnb/articles/zm63c7h>

Maths- <https://ttrockstars.com/> - Times Table Rock Stars

Shape- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy72pv4>

Dates for Diaries

Mon 6th June- Fri 10th June- French week

Sat 11th & Sun 12th June- Open Gardens Monkton- school gardens open

Friday 17th June- Class 3 Young Leaders Cake and cookie sale in aid of Christian Aid

Tue 7th June- Fri 17th June- Year 4 Multiplication Times Table Checks completed, this includes 3 practices

Wed 22nd June- Athlete visit (more details to follow)

Thur 30th June- Sports Day PM- (more details to follow)

Mon 27th June- Fri 1st July- Save our Planet week

Wed 6th July- Sport for Schools visit

Thur 7th June- Whole school Transition Morning (year 4 move up to year 5, year 3 become year 4)

Thur 7th June PM- Back up date for Sports Day in case of poor weather

Tue 12th July- End of Year School Reports Sent Home

Fri 15th July- Open afternoon for all parents

Tue 19th July- Leavers service for Year 6 and end of school year