



Whytrig Middle School

Year 6 Summer 2 – What are we learning?



Topic: Disaster Strikes!

In our geography-based topic, we will be learning about natural disasters such as volcanoes and earthquakes. We will learn where natural disasters can happen; why they happen; and the effects of these disasters on both human and physical geography.

In **English**, we will be writing:

- A narrative description of a tornado
- A discussion based on Darwin's Dragons
- A non-chronological report about a dragon

In **Maths**, we will be extending our knowledge of:

- Statistics
- Problem solving
- Algebra
- Shape and measure

Art: We will be working with clay to create South American themed mugs and focussing on clay skills such as rolling, pattern making and glazing.

Technology: We will be learning about the origins of food and looking at diets from around the world; focussing on South America.

Music: We will be preparing for our end of year musical performance, consolidating skills and developing confidence in performing

PE: We will be focussing on developing our skills in strike and field games such as cricket and rounders.

Computing: We will be learning about web design. Looking at features of websites and using Google Sites to create our own websites.

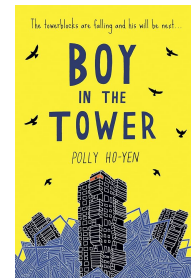
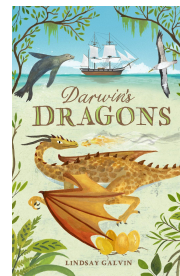
French: We will be revising new vocabulary used this year, including talking about myself and food and drinks.

RE: We will be examining the concept of faith and learn about how world religions use their faith in times of need.

PSHE: Our topic is based on 'money'. Why it is spent, saved and invested. We will consider the value of money and practice budgeting.

We will be reading:

- Darwin's Dragons by Lindsay Galvin
- Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen



In **Science**, we will be learning about 'Evolution, inheritance and adaptation'. Discovering how living things vary and change over time

How can I support the curriculum at home?

Visit the [Great North Museum – Hancock](#) in Newcastle to see their evolution and adaptation exhibits. It is free to visit, holds huge collections of fossils, and you can learn about plants and animals that lived in the local area many years ago.

The [Natural History Museum](#) in London has a fantastic home-learning website with live virtual online workshops and interactive activities on the life and work of Charles Darwin, evolution and natural disasters. You could try [making your own volcano](#) at home or having a game of [snakes and antlers](#).

The [MET Office website](#) is great for learning about weather as it happens. It also includes many [DIY weather activities](#), such as making lightening, making a rainbow or even making a [tornado in a jar!](#) Don't forget to upload anything you do to Google Classroom to show us!