



# Year 3 Lent 2 Newsletter

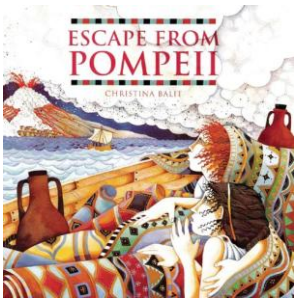
Welcome back, I hope you all had an enjoyable break and are ready to be back at school. Here is an overview of our learning for this next exciting half term.

## English

This half term as writers, we will be writing a range of genres based around our topic theme, Volcanoes.

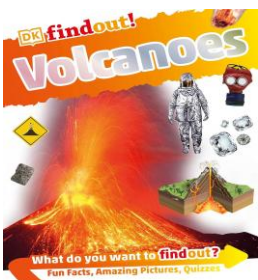
This half term as writers, we will be focusing on:

### Fiction



We will look at this re-telling of the class story and attempt to write our own versions of the story.

### Non-fiction



We will write a non-chronological report on volcanoes. We will also continue to use paragraphs in our writing.

## Maths

In Maths, this half term we will be using White Rose Maths. As Mathematicians, we will be focusing on:

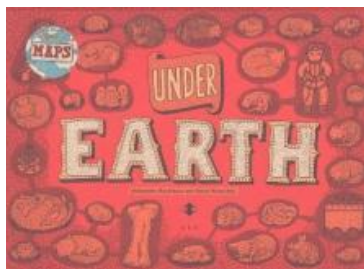
- Length and perimeter
- Fractions
- Mass and capacity

As mathematicians, we will be focusing on our mathematical vocabulary and our reasoning skills. White Rose models and supports children's learning in instilling a growth mindset approach to maths and will focus on helping all children to build a deep understanding of maths concepts. The mastery programme is designed to spark curiosity and excitement and nurture confidence in maths.

## RE

Our focus for RE this half term will be **Desert to Garden**. This topic follows the journey through the season of Lent up to Easter.





**SCIENCE – What’s beneath our feet? A look at how Earth was formed as well as its different types of rocks and fossils.**

LQ1	What’s the difference in rocks?
LQ 2	How are rocks formed? How can we find out how hard a rock is?
LQ 3	Rock survey around school
LQ 4	How are fossils formed?
LQ 5	How is soil formed and how is it different?
LQ 6	Why is Mary Anning so important?

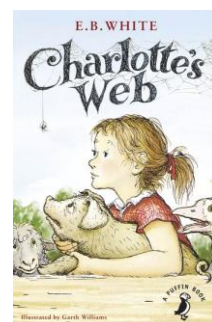
**Geography – What makes the Earth angry? A look into volcanoes and how and why they erupt.**



LQ1	What’s under our feet?
LQ 2	What makes a volcano and where are they found?
LQ 3	Can you make your own volcano?
LQ 4	What makes the earth angry?
LQ 5	Where is Mount Etna?
LQ 6	How big is Mount Etna and what can people do on it?

## Guided Reading

Our Guided Reading text for this half term is **Charlotte’s Web by EB White**. As readers, we will be reading this text as a class and answering a range of different questions relating to this text. We will be paying particular attention to interpret questions and considering the author’s choices to support our understanding of the text.



## How can you help?

**Weekly Homework – Please note: log-in details can be found stuck inside Homework diaries.**

- Homework will be set on Seesaw on a Friday and will need to be completed by the following Friday. If you have any trouble accessing homework online or would prefer a paper copy, please let me know and I can arrange this for you.
- Every 2 weeks your child will receive spellings. The spelling test will take place on a Friday morning. Please practise these spellings with your child at home!
- TT Rockstars – please ensure your child is accessing this regularly at home too, it is extremely important that they regularly practice and apply their multiplication and division knowledge.
- Remember to read every night with your child and sign their diary too!

**Thank you for your support and if you have any questions about your child’s learning or progress, please don’t hesitate to contact me.**

**Best wishes,**

**Mrs Boardley**