

### Understanding Arts and Culture

**Art:** We will continue to create volcano prints by explore printing techniques through the work of Hokusai

**Music:** We are using instruments to create a range of sounds to fit the rhythm and style of the music.

Desert class will continue to learn the violin.

### Understanding our Health and Well-Being

**PE:** We will continue to learn different techniques in Dance this term. We will learn balances, sequences and timings.



**PSHCE:** we will be learning about being healthy in relation to the UN's third sustainable development goal

# Rotten Romans and Vicious Volcanoes

Year 3  
Spring 2

### English

We are reading 'War and Peas' by Michael Foreman.

We will explore this unusual text, making comparisons to fables we already know. We will then create our own fables in the style of 'War and Peas', creating unusual characters and teaching our readers a key lesson. We will also explore a range of non-fiction books based around our Roman Topic and use these to gather and retrieve information.

In Guided reading sessions, Children will further their decoding, comprehension and retrieval skills in guided and independent groups.

**Spellings:** We will continue to consolidate our phonics knowledge through Guided reading sessions and continue to learn Year 3 spellings weekly.

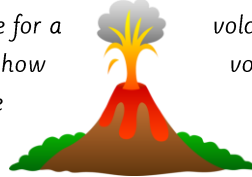


**Fluency:** Fluency sessions will consolidate and 'overlearn' key skills from Key Stage 1 and Autumn term Year 3 so that they are kept fresh and used correctly throughout all work.

**Handwriting:** We will have daily handwriting sessions that will teach the children correct letter formation, joins and how to use a pen correctly.

### Understanding the World

**Geography::** We will learn about natural disasters and how to prepare for a volcano eruption. We will learn how volcanoes are formed and the structure of the Earth.



**History:** We will explore Roman history by learning about key people and events. We will explore the role of different people on Roman society, including Roman Soldiers.

**RE:** Identity and Belonging - Belonging to a family, a community; challenges and religious leadership

**Spanish:** We will learn how to name musical instruments in Spanish.



### Maths

**Number:** We will be exploring multiplication and division, focusing on knowing and using our times table knowledge to help our calculations. We will explore multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and then use this knowledge to help us solve problems and sort numbers. TTRockstars will help us gain speed and recall skills.

We will then move on to fractions and how we can find fractions of an amount and quantities.



**Fluency:** During fluency sessions, we will address any gaps in that still remain whilst also overlearning or deepening the children's understanding of key concepts. These sessions will be quick games and lots of fun for everyone but are vital for the children's learning and retention of important areas of mathematics.

### Understanding Science and Technology

**Science:** We will continue to learn all about ROCKS! We will learn about different types of rock and soil, test their properties and how rocks were formed. We will also link this to our Volcano project in geography.

**DT:** We will create our own moving Vesuvius puppets using linkages and pivot points to show how a volcano erupts.

**Computing:** We are continuing our animation projects using a range of different techniques and skills.

**“Learn. Believe. Achieve.”**



**Our School Values:** Resilient, Persistent, Self-Motivated, Risk-Takers, Creative, Good Citizens, Entrepreneurial

Well... we are half way through the year!  
We have seen Savannah's class assembly and now we wait for Desert and Rainforest's creations.

We can't wait!

**Homework:** Homework and spellings will be on **Google Classrooms** every Friday. Don't forget that the homework is also available on the Year 3 webpage on our school website and there is also a copy of our webinar where we explain how to use Google classrooms too.

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**Reading:** We ask that children in Year 3 read their books for a short time each night and we will read with the children regularly throughout the week at school. Please don't forget to write their efforts in their reading record so we can reward them at school for fantastic home reading. As always, please see the Class Teacher if you have any concerns or questions about school and we will be happy to help you.

Mrs Sinclair (Savannah Class and Assistant Headteacher)

Miss Bass (Rainforest Class)

Miss Sutton (Desert Class)