

PHSE

The focus for PSHE this half term is our Computer Safety module, which helps children to understand the golden rules for staying safe online, how their online activity can affect others, and how to identify other positive and negative aspects of using technology. Children will explore the potential outcomes for online bullying, sharing images, and making friends online with people who they do not know. They will also be introduced to a supporting network of helpful organisations.

PE

This half term Year 3 will be having PE on Mondays and Wednesdays both outdoors. During the Monday PE session the children will be participating in lessons that teach them about the basic skills needed to play rounders. On the Wednesday PE sessions the children are very fortunate that we will be working with Brad Rayner from Peterborough United on a range of activities to develop our skills.

Art

Within art this half term we will be combining paint and collage techniques to create a mixed-media piece of a volcano. Each week, pupils will have the opportunity to develop skills that will contribute to their final piece, such as: how to create texture by layering materials, how to create a faded wash with paint and water and how to apply the splatter/drip paint technique.

R.E.

In RE this half term we will be studying Hinduism and beginning to consider how one Hindu God is represented by many different aspects. We will explore how these deities are celebrated within Hindu homes.

Park Lane Primary School

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Year 3



Information for parents

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back, we hope that you have had an enjoyable half term break. This booklet is to inform you of what your child will be learning this half term.

Mathematics

During this term your child will be consolidating his/her understanding of place value. They will start by focusing on composition and calculation where they will be looking at three digit numbers and bridging 100. They will also be working on improving their mental strategies and written column methods for addition and subtraction.

English

This half term, linked to our Tremors topic, we will be reading about the story of Pompeii using a lovely picture book, "Escape from Pompeii". We will also be reading another super book, "The Firework-Maker's Daughter" by Philip Pullman. In writing, the children will be focussing on narrative this half term and imagining they lived in Pompeii. In particular, they will be learning to use a variety of ways to include detailed description to engage the reader by creating vivid pictures through their use of words.

Science

As part of our topic called 'Tremors', the children will be learning about the three different types of rocks. They will be taught how these different rocks are formed, their properties what they can be used for. They will also learn how to identify the rocks.

Geography

The children will be learning about natural disasters and focusing on volcanoes. They will learn: what the different parts of a volcano are, the differences between an active and dormant volcano, as well as, what causes a volcano to erupt. This will be linked to their developing place knowledge by locating volcanoes on a world map.

History

Within History this half term the pupils will be developing their skills as historians, learning how to use sources to ask and answer questions about events that have happened in the past. They will then use these skills to find out about the Romans and the volcanic eruption in Pompeii.

Design Technology

In order to build on what they have learnt about volcanoes, the children will be designing their own volcanoes using a variety of materials. We will be focusing on the skills of: marking out, cutting and shaping plastic and thick card.

Computing

In computing this half term the children will be focusing on creating a PowerPoint presentation. They will be conducting research about volcanoes and using what they have learnt in other subject areas to deliver a presentation to the rest of the class.

French

In French we will continue to develop the children's basic vocabulary and practice this by asking questions and having simple conversations. We will continue to focus on recalling vocabulary, especially for the days of the week and the months of the year, greetings, numbers, colours and body parts.

Music

In music this term they will be listening to the various sounds from volcanic eruptions. They will be using different instruments in order to recreate these sounds. They will be exploring dynamics in music and how to change these when playing an instrument.