



Curriculum Newsletter

YEAR 6 | Spring Term 2 | 2023



Dear Families,

Thank you for your continued support! This half term, we have really enjoyed learning about The heart and crime and punishment.

Here is an outline of the curriculum coverage for Spring 2.

Have a good and well rested break and we look forward to another half term packed with learning!

This half term, our topics are Violent Volcanoes & Evolution and Inheritance. We will be focussing our learning around the key questions: Volcanoes: What are they? and What is the Theory of Evolution?

Our 'Stunning Start' to launch our topic will be:

The children will be immersing themselves in an audio experience using Now Press Play, exploring volcanoes and earthquakes and their effects on society.

Our 'Showstopper' piece of work at the end of the topic will be:

Children will make a model volcano. They will film the eruption and create an explanation text explaining how volcanoes erupt.

We will enhance children's learning and 'Cultural Capital' with the following virtual experiences, websites and texts:

- Google Expedition
- volcanodiscovery.com
- www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/how-to-make-a-volcano
- Now Press Play
- The Lion King theatre show
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Our 'Shared Outcome' to communicate our learning will be posted on Seesaw.



Here is a breakdown of the skills and knowledge to be covered in each subject through this topic:

English:

Key texts: 'Skellig' by David Almond

Key skills:

- Biographies and autobiographies
- Narrative stories around a theme
- Fronted adverbials
- Range of description

Maths:

Key topics:

- Measure
- Circles
- Angles
- Time

Science: Evolution and Inheritance

In science we will be learning about offspring, adaptations, theory of evolution and human evolved.

Useful websites and texts to support learning in this topic:

- You could virtually visit the National History Museum Volcanoes and Earthquakes exhibition. You can find more info about this at <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/galleries-and-museum-map/volcanoes-and-earthquakes.html>
- Go online and check out <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/zd9cxyc>
- Research Volcanoes, evolution or Charles Darwin

Computing: The children will be programming a game project. What sort of game can I program? They will also be looking at how the media plays a powerful role in shaping ideas.

Geography: Violent Volcanoes – what are they?

RE: Sikhism. We be holding an RE day where children will investigate 'What is the truth about the Baisakhi story?'

Art: Portraits through the KQ: How can I portray myself using drawing media?

PE: Dodgeball and Orienteering.

Music: The children will be continuing their Music with their specialist Music teacher.

PSHE: We will be beginning the topic 'Healthy Me'.

Spanish: The children will be continuing their Spanish learning with their specialist teacher.

Dates:

Thursday 23rd February - Safeguarding workshop

Wednesday 8th March - The Lion king

Friday 3rd March - World book day

Northwood Science workshop (various dates)

W/B Practice SATS week

Date TBC - SATS and IOW Parent Workshop

Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd March - Y6 Parent's Eve

