


<p>Our reading focus in class this term is:  <b>THE FIREWORK MAKER'S DAUGHTER</b> by PHILLIP PULLMAN</p> <p>We will also be reading Kenning poetry and non-fiction texts about fossils and Mary Anning.</p>	<p>In writing lessons we will create:  <b>KENNING POETRY</b>  <b>DEFEAT THE MONSTER TALES</b>  <b>DRAGON REPORTS</b></p>	<p>In mathematics we will be learning about:  <b>MULTIPLICATION &amp; DIVISION</b>  <b>MONEY &amp; STATISTICS</b>  <b>LENGTH</b>  <b>FRACTIONS</b></p>
<p>Our new geography topic is:  <b>ROCKS RELICS AND RUMBLES</b></p> <p>We will be learning all about the Earth and its layers. We will explore different types of rock and fossils. Part of the topic is learning about volcanoes and effects of tectonic plates moving.</p>	<p><b>Welcome to Spring Term in Y3/4!</b></p> 	<p>In Science we are studying:  <b>STATES OF MATTER &amp; GROUPING AND CLASSIFYING.</b></p> <p>The students will learn about solids, liquids and gases followed by grouping living things.</p>
<p>In art we are basing our work on:  <b>AMMONITES</b></p> <p>We will be using nature to influence our art and will cover a range of skills including printing. This will be followed by:  <b>PEOPLE AND PLACES</b></p> <p>In this topic we will study the work of L.S. Lowry. Our D.T. topic this term is:  <b>MAKING IT MOVE</b></p>	<p>P.E. is each Monday and Wednesday. Please come to school in your P.E. kit on these days. This half term our topics are:  <b>GYMNASTICS &amp; DANCE</b></p> <p>After half term we will swim each Wednesday morning. Further details will be sent home nearer to the half term break.</p>	<p>R.E. topics for Spring term are:  <b>Why is the Bible so important for Christians today?</b></p> <p>We will learn about how many books are in the Bible and the genres of writing in it.  <b>Why are festivals important to religious communities?</b></p> <p>In this we will learn about how and why we celebrate sacred and special times.</p>
<p>During P.S.H.E. we will be discussing:  <b>CHANGES &amp; GROWING UP</b></p>	<p>Music will involve:  <b>COMPOSING &amp; SHARING MUSICAL EXPERIENCES</b></p>	<p>In computing lessons, we will focus on:  <b>PROGRAMMING, EVENTS AND ACTIONS &amp; CREATING MEDIA</b></p>
<p><b>*****READING SUPERSTARS *****</b></p> <p>Please support your child in reading each night at home and bringing their book and yellow diary to school each day.</p> <p>We have a reward system in place this Spring to encourage lots of reading. Each day your child has their book and diary in school they receive a star on their chart. Each time it is signed by someone at home they get another star.</p> <p>They could receive a total of 10 stars each week!</p>	<p><b>TIMES TABLES- PERSONAL BEST SCORES!</b></p> <p>Each week Y3&amp;4 focus on a different times table in order to learn all tables up to 12 x 12.</p> <p>Year 4 are practising their Multiplication Check weekly. In this, they answer 25 random tables questions with just 7 seconds for each answer. They are enjoying celebrating their PB scores as each week they score a little more. Keep practising!</p> <p><a href="https://www.timestables.co.uk/">https://www.timestables.co.uk/</a></p>	<p><b>HOMEWORK</b></p> <p>Each week please support your child in learning their spellings and the times table of the week. There is a special certificate and reward for all children who join in with homework for a whole term.</p> <p><b>COMMUNICATION</b></p> <p>Please feel welcome to come and talk to me about any problems or just to catch up on what your child is doing in class. Your child's happiness and success is our highest priority. If you would like to email me directly, please contact me at:  <b>fionah17@st-georgescofe.derbyshire.sch.uk</b></p>