



Weston Mill Community Primary Academy

Year 3/4 Spring Term 3 Curriculum Newsletter

This half term our learning journey will explore:

Master of Disaster

Our Big Question is:

Why do natural disasters happen?

Our Destination will be:

To create a non-fiction book about natural disasters .

What we will be learning:

Science — To understand that forces need contact between two objects. To investigate surface friction (e.g. caramel down a slope).

Computing — Online Safety.

Maths — Multiplying and Dividing, Statistics, Money, Measurement.

English — Diary Entry from a natural disaster. Poetry rhyming and onomatopoeia. Explanation text of how volcanoes erupt.

Geography — To locate where tectonic plates are around the world, key mountain ranges, volcanoes' names and major historical earthquakes. To learn what mountains are and how mountains are formed. Describe how earthquakes are created and understand what life is like in an earthquake zone.

DT — To investigate how structures survive in an earthquake zone. To design a structure to withstand an earthquake.

RE — How to festivals and worship what matters to a Muslim?

PSHE — What are families like?

PE — Ball Skills / Invasion Games

MFL — Learning French.

Trips and Rich Experiences:

Year 3's will continue to have Drums lessons.

Toast marshmallows.

Things to do	Things to read	Things to watch
<p>Practice your times tables!</p> <p>Do your homework ready to bring back in on Thursdays.</p> <p>Go outside and enjoy exploring nature, try using the natural materials to create some art at home.</p> <p>Read every day :)</p>	<p>You could find some books to do with our theme at your local library:</p> <p>Pebble in my pocket by Meredith Hooper</p> <p>FLOOD by Alvaro Villa</p> <p>Pop-up volcano by Tom Vaillant</p> <p>Extreme Earth by Jon Richards</p> <p>Volcanoes and Earthquakes by Kathy Furgang</p>	<p>There are some great videos about natural disasters on the BBC website:</p> <p>Explore volcanoes - BBC Bitesize</p> <p>Explore earthquakes - BBC Bitesize</p>

Key Dates:

Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th January: Parent's Evenings

Thursday 19th January: Tokyo Reading session

Thursday 26th January: San Francisco Class Assembly

Friday 3rd February: Spring Disco

Thursday 9th February: Santiago Class Assembly

Reminders

- P.E Days

San Francisco Class—Monday and Thursday

Tokyo Class—Tuesday and Thursday

Santiago—Monday and Friday

