



Year 5

Mr. Burns and Miss Shaw

Happy New Year and welcome back!

This term we will be working on the theme of "Extreme Earth", and each of our subjects will interlink with this core theme.

English:

In English this term, we will have a number of core texts, including Meredith Cooper's ICE TRAP! (which is about Sir Ernest Shackleton's incredible expedition in the Antarctic). We will also explore information texts, traditional story writing, reports and film scripts as a basis for the children's writing.

Maths:

We will build on the work covered last term to increase knowledge of place value, decimals, fractions, percentages, measurement, statistics and geometry. As you may have seen in the news, there is an increasing emphasis on times table knowledge. You can help at home by helping your children practise their times tables and division facts.

Science - Our topic is "Earth and Space and Forces". We will focus on learning about the planets, Earth, Moon and Sun, including Moon phases and day and night.

Art - We will be looking at colour, shape and pattern, linked to examples of Extreme Earth, including 3D modelling of volcanoes.

History - We will be learning about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and its effect on Pompei during Roman times.

Geography - We will be investigating the theories behind plate tectonics, and the causes of volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis and the formation of mountains and valleys.

Notices

- PE continues to be twice a week — your child needs to bring in their full kit on Monday and they can take it home on Friday.
- Homework is given out on Friday and collected on Tuesday.
- Children should aim to read every evening and complete one book per week.
- Our class assembly is on Thursday 28th January 2016 at 3pm: we hope you can join us for this celebration.

Thank you.