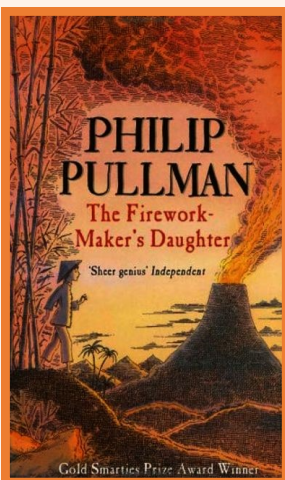


TREMORS

Tremors. Overwhelming and mighty, Mother Nature's awesome energies hiss and roar deep within the Earth. Plates collide, spewing lava. Rocks rain down and mud slides in torrents. Towns and cities vanish under ashen clouds. Discover the dangerous and ferocious world of natural disasters and glimpse their savage and deadly effects. Visit the ancient city of historic Pompeii, frozen in time, then create your own blistering explosions from model volcanoes that fire foamy lava.

Watch out! Volcanologists detect formidable rumblings from an extinct volcano in Scotland's capital. Red Alert! What would you do?



In English this half term we will be writing letters, narratives and diary entries, all based on historical natural disasters.

Our focus book for shared reading will be 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter'. We will be using this as a basis to inspire our published work, focusing on fronted adverbials, correct use of inverted commas, persuasive language, in addition to complex and compound sentences.

In Maths this half term, we will be deepening our understanding of place value to 3-digit numbers and developing our addition and subtraction skills, moving onto more complex methods such as columnar addition and subtraction.

In Geography, we will be looking at the earth's rock formation and how the location of a country determines the likelihood of a volcanic eruption, earthquake or tsunami. We will be incorporating Art and Design into our lesson where we will be constructing our own 3D structure of a volcano as well as designing and building an earthquake-proof shelter.

In Science we will be investigating different types of rocks and their properties before then moving on to considering the structure of the Earth and the layers of rock it is made up of. We will also be working with different ingredients you would usually find in the kitchen to create a volcanic-like eruption!

In RE, we will be exploring the question 'Would celebrating Diwali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?' They will be looking into the festival Diwali and discussing the theme of good and evil.

In order to support the children in their transition to key stage 2, our discussions in philosophy will be based around new beginnings, changes and friendships. This is also linked to the first Puzzle in PSHE-Being me in My world.

Please remember that this term we will have PE on a Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure your child wears their PE kit into school (jogging bottoms and trainers) for these days so they can participate.

We are all looking forward to a fantastic Autumn term to begin a brilliant new year!

Miss Atiya and the year 3 team