



Rocks, Relics and Rumbles

Year 3 and 4, Spring 2022





Academic		
Maths Children will be developing their knowledge of maths in the areas of multiplication and division, money (Y3), area (Y4), statistics (Y3), length and perimeter (Y3), fractions and decimals (Y4).	English As writers the children will be focusing on writing poetry, selecting effective language and learning to write biographies, looking at using clear language and thinking about sentence structure. In the second half term the children will focus on writing narratives, using the idea of a portal story to look at creating effective description.	<i>History</i> We will learn about the history of our planet, about the features and characteristics of Earth's layers. We will learn about <u>Mary Anning</u> and her role in discovering fossils.
<i>Geography</i> We will learn about the layers of the Earth and plate tectonics and discover the five major climate zones. We will learn about volcanoes and earthquakes.	Art We will learn about artistic techniques used in sketching, printmaking and sculpture. We will also learn about the genre of figure drawing. We will study the figure drawings and urban landscapes of the artist LS Lowry and create artwork in his style to show scenes from our school.	<i>Music</i> We will listen to and appraise Western Music from Baroque to Renaissance. We will perform with Toots and Bamboo Tamboo. We will sing Easter songs. We will improvise using up to three notes on the TooTs to a backing track. We will compose simple melodies for TooTs and write them using staff notation.
Science Rocks, Fossils and Soils We will learn about the different types of rocks and be able to describe their properties. We will also learn how fossils and soils are formed. Forces and Magnets We will learn about forces and how things move on different surfaces. We will also learn about magnetic forces and identify some magnetic materials.	RE What is it like to follow God? We will make simple links between People of God and how some Christians choose to live in their whole lives and in their church communities. How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim? We will make links between Muslim beliefs about God and a range of ways in which Muslims worship.	PE We will use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination. We will play competitive games, modified where appropriate, and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending. We will learn to swim competently, confidently and proficiently. We will learn to use a range of strokes.
Digital and Innovation We will be innovative in our approach to our learning, looking for creative ways to present our knowledge and understanding. We will use technology to share our reflections on our learning.	Character – our character virtues this term are helpfulness, caring, critical thinking, honesty, justice, service and resilience. They will be actively caught, recognised and celebrated in daily life both in and out of school; sought through opportunities across the whole curriculum and taught through our assemblies, character education and PSHE learning.	Community will be developed through a focus on rebuilding and consolidating links within our local community and we will continue to work with the charity Edukid. We will go out into the community and work actively to improve it through volunteering and we will open up our school, holding events where members of the community will be invited. Our school council will provide us with opportunities to improve our school community for everyone involved.