



**Year 3 Spring 1 - Disaster**

**Topic Overview:**

In this topic, children will look at the layers that make up the Earth. They will learn about the supercontinent Pangea which used to make up Earth's land. This then leads into the children learning about how volcanoes and earthquakes are formed. Children will learn about the different types of volcanoes and how they erupt. They will also learn about what causes earthquakes and study Pompeii and the 1989 earthquake in San Francisco.

**Big Bang Day!**

On **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January**, children are welcome to come to school dressed up in anything orange, red or yellow representing the colours of volcanoes and take part in a range of activities. Later in the term, we will have an interactive workshop with Perform.

**Educational visit:**

Perform - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February.

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| <b>Disaster!</b> | <b><u>English</u></b>   | In writing, we will be continuing to consolidate previous learning as well as developing knowledge of sentence structures, techniques, and different types of punctuation to make our writing more engaging to the reader.      |
|                  | <b><u>Maths</u></b>     | In maths, we will be using the White Rose scheme to guide our learning about multiplication and division, money, and statistics.  |
|                  | <b><u>Science</u></b>   | We will explore the properties of different types of rocks and fossils and learn how volcanoes work. We will be making careful observations and draw conclusions from these.  |
|                  | <b><u>Geography</u></b> | In geography, we will be learning about different types of natural disaster as well as the different plates the Earth is made up of.  |
|                  | <b><u>Art</u></b>       | In this unit, children build on their knowledge of primary and secondary colours to explore tertiary colours. Using Andy Warhol as their artist focus, they will create their own piece of pop art in the style of Andy Warhol. |
|                  | <b><u>RE</u></b>        | In RE we will investigate why the bible is still important for Christians today.  |
|                  | <b><u>Music</u></b>     | In music, children will continue to learn about music notes and how they are written on paper so that others can play them as well as continuing to learn how to play tunes on a glockenspiel.                                  |

**Key Texts**

