

# Coppice Academy

## Year 3 Spring Term Newsletter

### Welcome Back

Hello everyone. We hope you all had a great Christmas holiday and are all ready to start back at school! The following informs you about what we will be learning in school during the Spring term.

### English

Reading:

This half term we start with a book called Bill's New Frock. After that, we read Escape From Pompeii.

Writing:

This half term, we begin by producing an explanation about Volcanic eruptions. Then, we will be writing diary entries, from the perspective of 'Bill' from our reading text. Later in Spring Term, the children will write a story based on the animation 'Lava' and produce a biography.

### Maths

This half term we are focusing on multiplication and division. We will be focusing on how to apply our knowledge on multiplication and division to problem solving.

We would like children to continue to focus on feeling really confident with their x2, x5 and x10, as well as x3 and x4. They can do this by using hit the button, Times Table Rockstars and songs from You Tube.

Knowing their times tables will support children when we tackle more challenging aspects such as multiplying 2-digit numbers by a 1-digit number.

### Geography

In Year 3, geography lessons will focus on two exciting topics. First, the children will explore Lyme Regis, a coastal town in Dorset, as part of a locational Geography study. They will learn about its location, physical features, and historical significance. Additionally, children will study volcanoes, gaining an understanding of how they form, the different types, and their impact on the environment.



### Music

Children will complete two topics—'Compose using your Imagination' and 'More Musical Styles'.



### RE We are learning about Christianity.

**The key question we are exploring is;** Could Jesus really heal people? Were these miracles or some other explanation? Do sacred texts have to be 'true' to help people understand their religion?



## Science

In Year 3, science lessons will cover two fascinating topics. The children will begin by studying rocks, exploring their different types, properties, and how they are formed. They will also learn about the rock cycle and how rocks change over time. Additionally, children will delve into the world of plants, studying the parts of a plant, how they grow, and what they need to survive.



## Art

This term in art we will be learning about the famous artist Jackson Pollock. We will be exploring how different tools can create different paint splatters and patterns. This will then be incorporated into our own Volcano Art.



## PSHE

This term our topic is 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be setting personal goals, discussing how we can see challenges and obstacles as positive and encouraging perseverance. We will also be learning about 'Healthy Me', making good fitness and food choices, alongside learning how to stay safe online.

## PE

This term the children will be learning various ball games with the sports coaches.

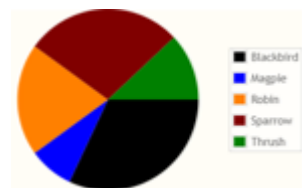


## French

We will be learning how to talk about parts of the body, clothes, months and animals in French.

## Computing

This term we will be focusing on understanding and creating spreadsheets. Children will learn to add and edit data and use a spreadsheet program to create charts and graphs. They will also complete a unit on 'Touch Typing'.



## Key Information

Both classes have swimming on a Tuesday and PE will continue to be on Monday afternoons. PE kits should be worn on Mondays, with school uniform on Tuesdays.

The children will be given a reading book to bring home. The expectation is that they read for 10 minutes every day and have their diaries signed. Books will be changed twice a week but book bags should be sent into school every day. Homework will be set weekly on Century and there will be a three-weekly writing homework in their books. Please can your child bring a healthy snack to school.

