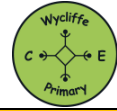


Year 3 Class Newsletter

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All Different – All Equal

We are all different.



We are all beautiful!

Cherry

Miss Mason



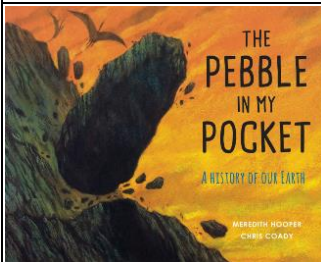
Willow

Miss Williams:
Monday – Wednesday
Mrs Woodthorpe:
Thursday – Friday



Our 'BIG QUESTION' is...

What makes the Earth angry?



English

Continuing with our theme of the Earth, our core text this half term will be 'The Pebble in my Pocket.' It is a beautiful story that follows the life of a pebble illustrating the history of the Earth. We will learn to write non-fiction chronological reports with a focus on paragraphs and accurate factual

reporting. Additionally, every week we will focus on reading, handwriting, phonics and spelling.

MATHS

Our main area of learning this half term is formal methods for written calculations. After learning the place value of each digit last half term, we will learn how to use the column method for addition and subtraction. We will then learn how to calculate when an answer bridges into the next 10 or 100. Once confident with addition and subtraction, we will then focus on multiplication and division, alongside learning our times tables.

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HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY

In Geography this half term we will be continuing to find out the answer to our Big Question, "What Makes The Earth Angry?". We will be looking at where earthquakes and volcanoes occur most frequently around the world and mapping them. We will also be looking at tsunamis in more detail. To show our learning at the end, we will be creating our own information leaflets on the natural disasters we have learned about.

Science



In Science this half term, we will be studying magnetic forces. We will learn about how magnets repel or attract each other and attract some objects but not others; compare and group together everyday materials based on whether they are attracted to a magnet and predict whether magnets will attract or repel each other depending upon which poles are facing. At the end of this unit, we will use our scientific knowledge to create an interactive educational resource on magnetism for the Science Museum.

PE

This half term we will improve our core strength and balance in gymnastics and focus on team tactics in netball.

Willow – Mon/Tue. Cherry – Fri.

Please come dressed in your PE kit on these days.



DT

We will be learning about pulley systems in DT; when and why they are used and then we will be designing, planning, making and evaluating our own pulley following the brief to make a rescue pulley to help people after a natural disaster has occurred.

PSHE

Our big question in PSHE is 'How can we be a good friend?' We will explore how to make positive friendships, how to manage disagreements and how to manage loneliness.

RE

In RE we will be exploring the big question, "What is it like to follow God?"

We will be looking at the story of Noah and the covenant God made with him. We will also look at promises we make in our everyday lives such as at a wedding or baptism. Finally, we will explore the belief that by following God, we can make a difference in the world today.

Music

In Music, our focus will be learning about the composer Tchaikovsky and, in particular, his ballet The Nutcracker Suite. In addition, we will be learning Christmas songs and carols.



Computing

In Computing, we will use a range of techniques to create a stop frame animation using tablets. Then, we will apply our skills to create a story-based animation. At the end of this topic, we will add other types of media to our animation, such as music and text.

French

In French, we will learn how to say the colours. Then, some words and phrases for writing Christmas cards in French and we will also be singing some French Christmas Songs.



Reading

Please keep reading anything and everything you can alongside your school reading book. Record any reading that you do in the Reading Record. In school, we will read with your child at least once a week. We would love it if you could read on a daily basis. Please continue to use Accelerated Reader to complete quizzes.

Homework

Weekly spellings and learn by hearts will continue on a Friday. Please continue to use TTRS and begin using Spelling Frame (more info to follow). **For your homework project this half term, please choose a hexagon in your homework book and use the theme 'natural disasters'. This will be due in by the 8th December. Try to do something different to last half term. E.g. if you made a model last half term, this half term you could do some writing or art work.**