

# Disaster Earth!

## Year 6

Our theme for this half term will be continuing with last half terms theme regarding natural disasters that can occur on Earth. We will continue to research and present information and look in depth at the events when Mount Vesuvius erupted and destroyed the cities of Pompeii and Herculaneum. Much of the first half the term will be focusing on the children's upcoming SATS, so we will be taking extra opportunities to revise Maths and English.

### Literacy

We will be continuing our book from last half term "A boy and a bear in a boat." This book uses a lot of humor and characterisation to entertain and amuse the reader. So far the children have produced some fabulous alternate chapters, and writing in role as the main characters and we will be moving onto descriptive and narrative writing as we move further through the book.



### Maths

In Maths this term will be concentrating on problem solving, money problems and other number problems relating to applying maths skills that we have learned this year.

We are now approaching the final run in towards SATS in May and we will be doing lots of revision to help to prepare the children to do as well as they can in their tests.

There will be regular challenges on Sumdog for the children to complete and homework which will help them to improve mental maths skills.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be using R Time to develop our compromise and negotiating strategies. This theme will encourage the children to empathise with a wide range of people, including their classmates. We shall have a particular focus on behaving safely and responsibly in different situations, for example PE.



### Expressive Art and Design

The children will be further developing their sketching technique this term, and making sure they can explain design decisions and justify their choices.



### Understanding the World

As well as further research opportunities related to natural disasters, we will be looking into the events surrounding the destruction of Pompeii. We will be writing in role as an eye witness to the events and also producing some explanation writing, which will inform others of the events.



### Physical Development

The children will continue to have two PE sessions a week. One will be with a coach from Norwich football academy, which will focus on a range of team games. On a Thursday PE will be gymnastics in the hall. Gymnastics this term will be apparatus based. The children are working on performing balances and rolls with increasing control, strength and accuracy.

