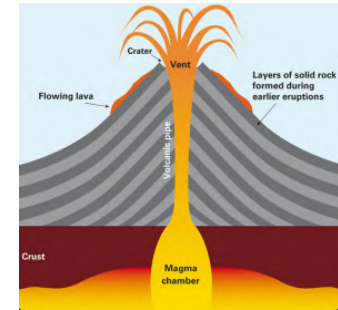


Volcanoes

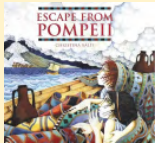
Spring 2 Topic Web



English

This term we focus on the features of chronological reports with a focus on digital news articles. The children keep up to date on the news via CBBC's Newsround. They learn how to structure a news report; writing a heading, lead paragraph, main body and tail. The children keep up to date on the active volcanoes in Iceland, using this information to write a news article. We then focus on writing an escape story adapting the structure of Escape From

Pompeii.



Maths

We continue to work on measuring in lengths, widths and perimeter. We move onto fractions, learning how to compare, order and find equivalent fractions, by identifying the numerator and denominator.

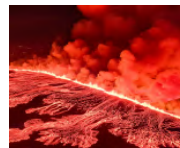
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We focus on Judaism and the important milestones and celebrations for Jewish people, including the similarities and differences between Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah. We then discuss other important occasions including marriage, Passover, Shavuot and Sukkot.

We then turn to Easter celebrations this term, where children enjoy Holy Week, including having a day of reflection (Pause Day).

Science

The children learn how to compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. We then do plenty of investigations as 'Rock Detectives' to name and classify and learn about different rock formation.



Computing

We learn how to create word documents and even have a go at using some of the different publishing formats. The children get to use word/publisher to then re-create their news articles, before learning how to save, re-open and edit their documents.

Geography

The children thoroughly enjoy learning about the structure of the Earth, with the four layers, before moving onto identifying the 7 major tectonic plates. We identify and discuss how tectonic plates move and the consequences of this, including, the formation of mountains, earthquakes and earth's changeable surface. We have a presentation from an interesting guest speaker from the Natural History Museum who talks about the causes and effects of earth quakes. Of course, we spend plenty of time discussing the different formations of volcanoes too, identifying their main parts. We look at maps to see where they are located around the world and also learn about some of the benefits of living near volcanoes. The children then show this knowledge off by using paper mache and recycled materials to build, label and display their own volcanoes.