## Y3 and Y4 Spring Curriculum Newsletter



In the Rocks, Relics and Rumbles project, your child will learn about the different layers of the Earth, including plate tectonics and their potential effects on the Earth's surface. They will investigate different types of rock to learn about their uses and properties. They will also investigate soil and fossils, including learning about the work of Mary Anning. They will have the opportunity to use maps to learn about the lines of latitude and longitude and a compass to learn about the cardinal and intercardinal points. They will also learn about volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis and the long and short-term consequences that these can have

<u>English</u>: Pupils will be studying Non-chronological reports, Poetry, Newspaper reports and Diaries. Please support us with reading, by regularly listening to your child read aloud at home and signing their Reading Record.

## Maths:

Year 3: Pupils will continue to develop their fluency and reasoning skills in multiplication and division, fractions, length and perimeter and mass and capacity.

Year 4: Pupils will continue to develop their fluency and reasoning skills in multiplication and division, fractions, length and perimeter and decimals.

<u>Geography:</u> Layers of the Earth; Rocks; Plate tectonics; Ring of Fire; Features of volcanoes; Lines of latitude and longitude; Volcanic eruptions; Earthquakes and tsunamis; Compass points; Maps

## Science:

Forces and Magnets -This project teaches pupils about contact and non-contact forces, including friction and magnetism. They will investigate frictional and magnetic forces, and identify parts of a magnet and magnetic materials.

Computing: Programming and data logging.

History: To study Mary Anning and the history of Pompeii.

RE: Why did the Monks Write the Gospels by Hand?

Why is Easter a Spring Festival?

PE: Football, basketball, hockey and dodgeball.

Music: Three Little Birds and the Year 3/4 production.

French: L'ancienne histoire de la Grande-Bretagne (Ancient Britain) et Les fruit (fruits)

## Key Dates

Year 4 Multiplication Check Parent Meeting (via Zoom) – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 at 5pm
Year 4 Robinwood Trip Parent Meeting - 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 4:30pm (parents/ guardians only)
Robinwood Trip (Year 4) 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024
Class 10 swimming – 11<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024
Parent Consultations 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024
Year 3 and 4 performance – dates to be confirmed.