

In English, our whole class text will be 'Why the Whales Came' by Michael Morpurgo. This novel follows the story of two children who befriend an outcast on a remote island, where they uncover secrets about the island's past and its mystical connections to the sea. They learn about the importance of compassion, bravery, and the natural world.

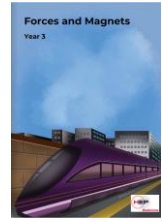
## Y3 Summer Term Newsletter (April/May)



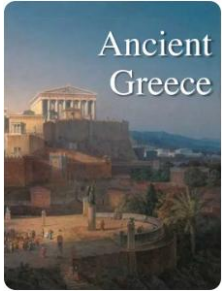
RE – Our topic is Energy - Pentecost. During this topic the children will learn about the energy of wind and fire and the wonder of the Holy Spirit which Christians believe is active in each person and in the community of believers – the Church.



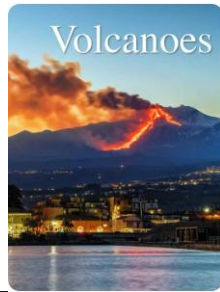
In Maths this half term we are finishing our second Fractions topic. We will also be learning about Money and Time.



In Science, we will begin by understanding what a force is followed by investigation the force of friction. We will then study the non-contact force of magnetism and learn which metals are magnetic, if a magnet can be made stronger and how magnets are used in the wider world.



Our History topic will be Ancient Greece and I know the children are excited to continue learning about the Greeks. We will find out about how the Greeks lived including their myths and legends, the beginning of democracy and Greek literature.



In Geography, we will be learning all about volcanoes. We will begin by finding out how volcanoes are formed followed by what happens when they erupt and why people might choose to live nearby. We will also learn about Mount Etna.



In Art, we will look at famous European artists and study the work of Coco Chanel, Salvador Dali, Michelangelo and Le Corbusier. We will study their work and try to create versions of our own.



In Computing we will focus on how to create branching databases both on paper and online. We will discuss how and why branching databases might be used.



P.E. This half term on a Monday we begin our swimming lessons at Stanley pool. Please ensure your child has a swimming hat and long hair is tied up.



In this half term we look at the phonics sounds 'j' and 'ga'. We will be learning to describe things and people and learn to use the verb 'tener' to have, possessive adjectives 'mi' and 'tu'.



P.S.H.E this half term is called 'Created to live in the community' and covers Emotional Wellbeing – a community of love.



Each week we expect all children to learn spellings and complete 30 minutes of TTRS. We also ask that you hear your child read regularly and record this in their reading record.