



Year 3 Spring Term

Rocking All Over the World

For the whole of the spring term we will be taking a musical journey through the history of rock music as we explore our planet. We will be learning about the geology of earth and physical features such as volcanoes, mountains and earthquakes. We will study the importance of Cornwall's geology, the history of mining and how it has shaped our locality today. After half term, the children will embark on their own rock star-esq world tour, contrasting other countries from around the globe with our own.

Topic Launch: Rock Treasure Hunt. Children to explore the school for various types of rocks. The class will then have a hands on exploration of various rock and mineral specimens before we create an exploding class volcano.

English

We will be reading and sharing a variety of stories set both in Cornwall and around the world, including our class novel **The Valley of Secrets**, by Charmian Hussey. The children will be writing free verse poems based on geological features and information guides for a country of choice. We will explore both local and global myths and write our own set locally. We will also create newspaper articles based on a fictional locally-occurring natural disaster.

Geography

We will explore physical features from across the world, including mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes. We will look at how these are formed and how they impact upon rock formation. On our world tour, we will learn about countries from across the globe and how they contrast to life in Cornwall and the UK.

Music

For the first half term, the children will be working alongside Mr. Hawken to explore the genre of rock music. Throughout the topic they will be listening and learning about the history of rock, from 1950's rock

RRS Articles

Article 30: You have the right to practice your own culture, language and religion - or any you choose. Minority and indigenous groups need special protection of this right.

Article 16: You have the right to privacy.

Article 33: You have the right of protection from harmful drugs.



Maths

Multiplication and Division: Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.

Fractions: Recognise and use fractions as numbers: unit fractions and non-unit fractions with small denominators.

Statistics: Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.

History

Linked to our study of rocks and geology, we will explore the history of Cornwall and how it has been shaped in recent centuries by both the tin and clay mining industries. The children will consolidate their learning with a visit to a tin mine and consider how the decline in these industries will effect the future.

Science

We will investigate various types of rocks, including how they are formed and how their properties differ. Our world tour will also take us to the poles, where we will link our learning to magnets and the force of attraction.

PHSE

Drugs and Alcohol

Computing/ E-safety

Children will be using a variety of ICT equipment and apps to produce their own music videos. ESafety will be taught, also, and linked to Safer Internet Day on February 5th.

Final Product:

The children will be filming and starring in their very own rock star music videos. These will then be uploaded to our class web page for people to enjoy!