

Arthur Bugler Primary School **Parent Information Booklet**



Year 3

Spring Term
2022

Teachers: Mrs Scott and Miss McGoldrick
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Dodd, Mrs Gee, Mrs Hall

Dear Parents/Carers,

Where has that time gone? It only seems like yesterday we were welcoming your children into Year 3. It has been wonderful getting to know and working with them. They really are a lovely bunch.

This booklet gives you a brief overview of our learning through our two new topics for the Spring term.

Our first topic is 'Tremors'

To 'wow' the children with this topic we will be making a movie of a tremor. Your child can choose the role they would like to take on, eg. a firefighter, doctor, nurse, news reporter, civilian, army, on the first day back after the Christmas holidays (Wednesday 5th January 2022). Please do not feel you have to go to lots of effort to find fancy dress; if you do not have anything, then every day clothes are fine.

As part of the movie set, they will be creating a miniature town, building community buildings and roads. Then, oh no a tremor will come along!

After half term the next topic will be, 'Tribal Tales'.

For our 'wow' starter we hope to take the children on a trip to Hadleigh Country Park to take part in activities and explore the roundhouse there. More information will follow towards the end of the first half of the term.

In English, we will be mostly writing in non-fiction in forms of poetry, discussion texts, recounts and explanation texts. We will also have lots of fun creating our own fiction stories too.

Handwriting continues to be a focus, ensuring that letters are formed correctly and presentation is neat. Grammar, punctuation and spellings will be a main focus. Thank you for your continued support you give your children to learn spellings each week.

In Mathematics, we will continue to solve problems using different calculations. There will be a focus on multiplication and division, encouraging the children to learn their 2,3,4,8 times tables off by heart.

Practising at home to learn them quicker will be really beneficial to your child. There are lots of times tables songs on Youtube which are a great help, as well as using TT Rockstars. The children will be working on word problems, using their reasoning skills to solve them.

Cornerstones (our first half of the term)

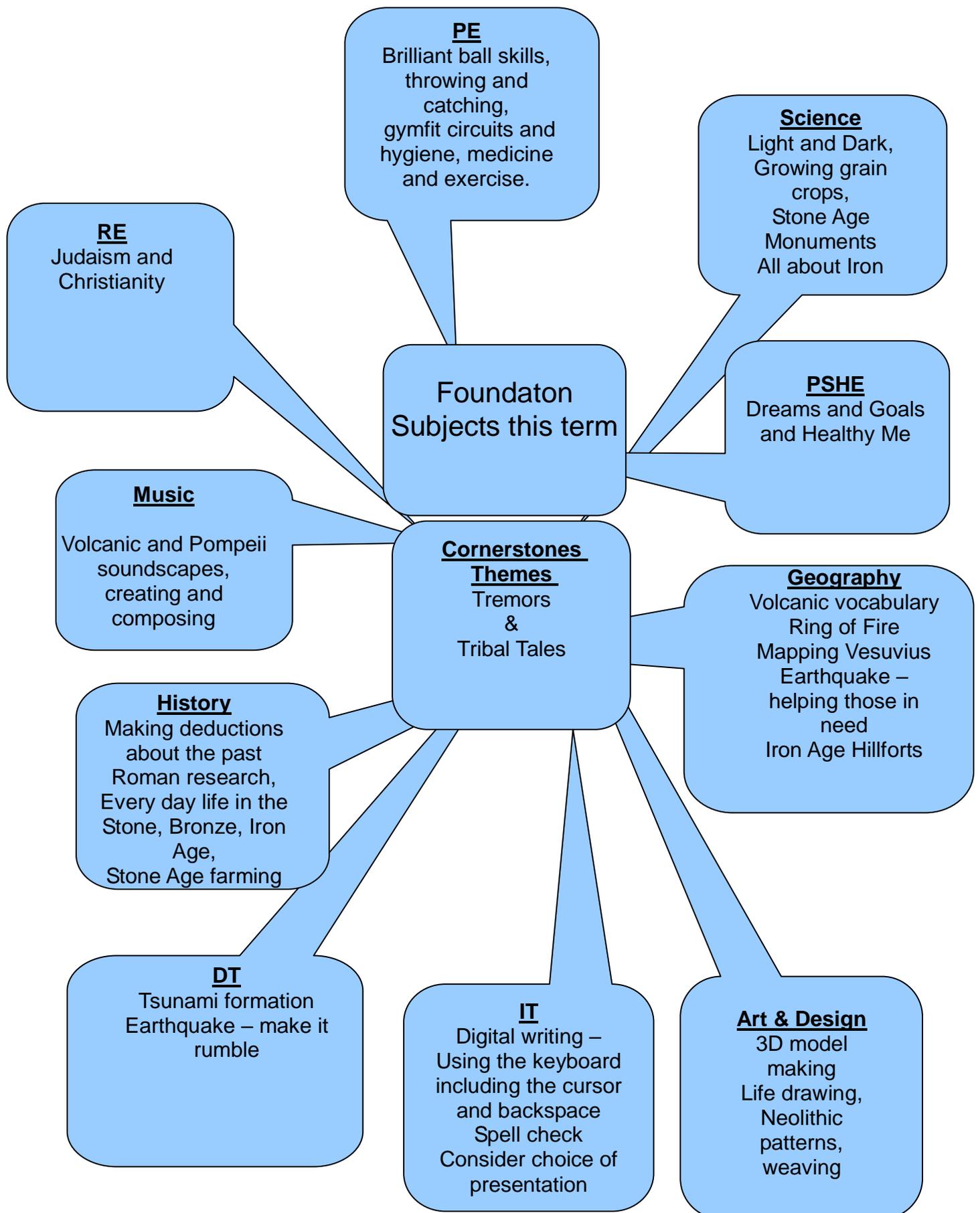
Tremors: Where we will discover the dangerous and ferocious world of natural disasters and glimpse their savage and deadly effects. Visit the ancient city of historic Pompeii, frozen in time, then create blistering explosions from model volcanoes that fire foamy lava. Discover the properties of rocks shaped by the Earth's breathtaking power.

Linked text: *The Firework-Maker's Daughter* – Philip Pullman

Cornerstones (our second half of the term)

Tribal Tales: We will turn off all our technology and try to forget the modern world. Imagine this place 5000 years ago. We will head back to prehistoric times to gather berries and hunt down dinner. Unearth ancient objects and visit astonishing mystical monuments that reveal the secrets of an ancient time. Learn how the people of Britain developed over thousands of years, from the Stone Age to the Roman invasion.

Linked text: *Stig of the Dump* – Clive King



General Information

- PE uniform should remain in school at all times and will be sent home for washing at the end of each half term.
- A weekly homework task will be set on Thursdays and needs to be returned by the following Monday.
- Spellings – will be sent via Dojos on Friday and tested the following Friday.
- Please listen to your child read every night at home and record on the Reading App Go Read.
- Water bottles should be clearly named and brought into school every day.
- Please remember that your child does not need to bring in a bag, as we have very limited space for these.

Thank you for all your support, we have fully enjoyed the first term with your dear children, and are looking forward to the Spring term very much.

Mrs Scott and Miss McGoldrick