

Planet Preservers



Term 4

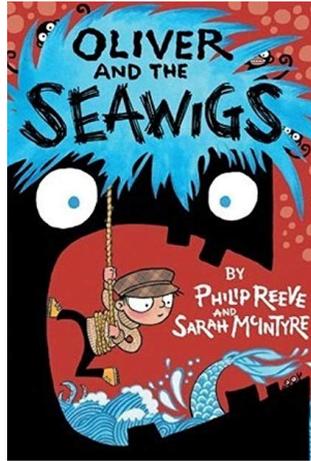
Year 3

Falcons & Swifts

Mrs Culling and Mrs Hickmott

English

Oliver Crisp's parents are explorers and for 10 years they have travelled the world, taking Oliver with them. Now they have decided that all the great unknowns have been seen and they are ready to return home. To their surprise they discover a dozen mysterious islands in the bay near their house. They pull out the dinghy and immediately set off to explore whilst Oliver begins to unpack. When he goes out to check on them, the islands are gone and so are his parents. That is why a boy who dreams of staying home and going to school winds up on yet another amazing adventure, in search of his missing parents.

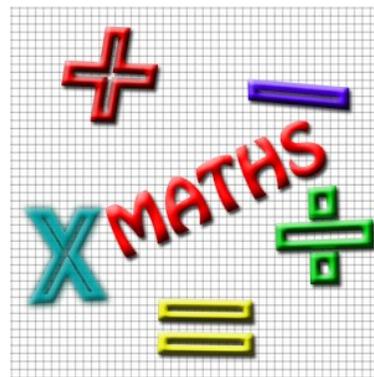


- To draw inferences about character's thoughts, feelings, emotions and actions.
- To plan and design an information leaflet, using research from topic lessons on volcanoes.
- To create instructions on how to care for and train sea monkey.

Mathematics

We are continuing with multiplication and division, focusing on problem solving. We will be learning about length, writing and converting cm, m and km as well as comparing different lengths.

We will look continue to practise our 3, 4 and 8 times tables.



Vocabulary

We are going to be introducing the following vocabulary: volcanoes, erupt, magma, lava, vent, chamber, plates, valve, pressure, gases, molten rock, crust, mantle, dormant, extinct.

Reading Immersion

We are continuing to complete lots of comprehension activities based on the book **The Tales of Despereaux**. If you have a copy at home, your child may wish to bring it in and keep it at school, so that they can follow along and use it to refer to during our sessions.

Terrific Thursdays

These will continue to include: Sporting Games, singing, Musical Theatre and more. Please remember to send your child to school in their PE kits on this day and with earrings removed.



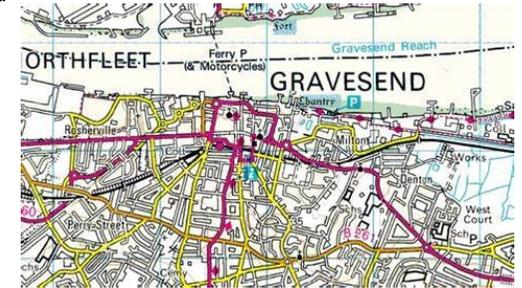
Homework

- All pupils will receive **daily Mathematics homework** (up to 3 questions).
- **Spellings** are issued and quizzed on a **Friday** in the home spelling book.
- The children will **receive** English Comprehension homework on a Tuesday and **Friday**. Tuesday's comprehension needs to be completed by **Friday** and Friday's comprehension should be completed by **Tuesday**.
- We expect children to be **reading at least 3 times a week** to an adult with their appropriately designated reading book. Any words that your child is struggling to read can be jotted down in the reading journal so they can be practised in class.

Topic

Our Topic this term is focusing on volcanoes, use of scales on a map and comparing geographical features of two localities.

- To describe and understand key aspects of a volcano
- Names of the different parts of a volcano
- What causes them to form and erupt?
- To compare physical and man-made features in two localities.
- To use different scales on a map to locate features.

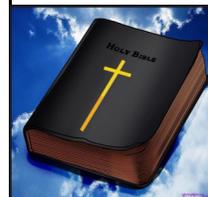


Science

In our "How does your Garden Grow?" science topic we will be investigating what plants need to survive and grow. We will try to grow plants in different conditions and will ensure our tests are "fair" by only changing one variable for each plant. We will also be exploring plant parts, their functions and the wonders of seed dispersal.



RE



This term we are learning about **Salvation** and its meaning to Christians. We will explore the Big Question: **Why do Christians call the day Jesus died "Good Friday"?**