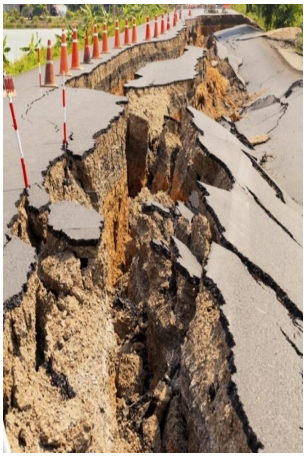
Year 3 Autumn 1 Overview

Subject	Focus
English	**Class reading book:** The Firework Maker's Daughter. **Writing genres:** Historical narrative (Pompeii), character descriptions, volcano shape poems. **SPaG:** Past tense, paragraphs & extending sentences using conjunctions
Maths	**Number and place value**: Find 10 or 100 more/less than a given number, recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number, read and write numbers up to 1000, solve number problems. Count in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100. Add and subtract 3 digit numbers mentally.
Science	**Rocks**: Observe different rocks in the environment, comparing and testing different types of rocks based on their physical properties. Look at how fossils are formed and learn about what soil is made from.
Computing	**E-safety**: Consider the safe way to use the internet in school and at home, understand what personal information is and how important it is to keep personal information safe.
Geography	**Tremors**: Describe and understand the key aspects of volcanoes and earthquakes, how volcanoes and earthquakes are formed, to know what the Pacific ring of fire is and label the different parts of a volcano.
Design and Technology	Research, design make and evaluate a pencil case.
Physical Education	**Games:** Games Sense invasion. **Indoor**: Mindfulness
RSHE	**Emotional Wellbeing:** What am I feeling? eg Loneliness. What am I looking at? Building resilience. Being thankful. Hello Yellow - World Mental Health Day
French	Presenting myself.
Music	Samba Drumming.



Key Vocabulary

Eruption
Aftershock
Magma
Lava
Dormant
Fault
Magnitude
Tectonic plates
Rock
Organic matter

RE: The Christian Family

The children will develop their understanding that the Church is the family of God and know that we join this family when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism. They will learn what happens at Baptism and learn about the signs used and why they are used. They will learn about the promises made by parents and godparents at Baptism and develop their understanding of the Sacrament of Baptism.
The children will have a chance to:
- reflect on what it means to be part of a family
- reflect on what it means to be part of the Christian family

At home you could help your children by:
- sharing your experiences about their Baptism. Look at any gifts or photographs that they received on their special day.
- discuss what it means to be part of God's family.