



# Ernesettle Community School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 3! We are looking forward to an exciting year of learning, making friends and exploring the world around us with your child. Our first topic of the year is called, 'Active Planet' and will focus on earthquakes, volcanoes and tsunamis.

In Geography, we'll be finding out how the Earth is formed, what a volcano island is and where they are in the world. We will also look at what causes an earthquake and how they can be measured. These sessions will be followed up in Science, where we'll be finding out about solids, liquids and gases in volcanoes and what happens when one erupts. This learning will be consolidated with our own models of a volcano. We will also investigate magnetic forces.

As part of our learning into rock formations, your child will enjoy a trip to Dartmoor National Park where they can scale tors, watch the wild ponies and even fly a homemade kite! Watch this space for more information.

This term, your child will take part in weekly PE lessons lead by a specialist sports coach from Marine Academy Plymouth. Both Year 3 classes will participate in PE **every Tuesday** afternoon and we would appreciate it if kits could be available in school at all times.

Please remember that learning at home, which is an integral part of your child's development, will be sent home each Friday and children are expected to bring in completed homework each week. Please continue to listen to your child read at least **three times** a week and help them to learn their weekly spellings.

We look forward to meeting you at the 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon, next Monday.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask one of the Year 3 team.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Parry, Mr Jeffery, Miss Hoodless, Miss Hussey and Mrs May

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