What can I do to help my child?

Encourage them to read as often as possible
Remind them to complete their homework and
provide them with a quiet comfortable place to do so
Help them practise their spellings
Make sure they have their PE kit on the correct of

Make sure they have their PE kit on the correct days including socks and a hair bobble (as needed)

Ask your child what they have been learning Give them opportunities to visit the library or websites to 'read around' the topic and gather information of interest to them

Kev dates

4th January - Back to school Week of 10th January - PCSO visit Weeks of 10th and 20th January - HSBC Financial Learning 8th February - Safer Internet Day 18th February - Half term

You can read more about our curriculum on our website https://parkgrove.ebor.academy

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Other useful websites that may help your child are: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn

www.primaryinteractive.co.uk www.crickweb.co.uk www.ictgames.com

www.topmarks.co.uk

If you have any queries or problems that you need to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Key Stage 2 team



Key Stage 2 Spring Term 1 2022



Our topic is: Natural Disasters

A study of physical geography

Homework

This half term we will start our topic on Natural Disasters!

Please see below for a list of activities you could carry out at home to help engage with the topic and extend your child's learning further.

Maths	TT Rockstars, Mathletics weekly homework
English	Spellings on Readiwriter, home reading, Reading Eggspress weekly homework
Topic and other subjects	Research natural disasters that have occurred in the past 5 years. Interview local friends and family about the 2015 Boxing Day flood in York. Make your own 'Tornado in a Bottle'! Create a Google Slide about a natural disaster of your choice. Create your own shelter to survive an earthquake or hurricane.

Time will be given in class for the children to talk about what they have found out and share work they have completed. This work could be shared with the class teacher via Bloomz

For each topic we will have an 'ignition day' to inspire and immerse the children into the topic. Topics will end with a celebration to bring together and share the work we have completed.

Topic Ignition – Explosions in the classroom! **Topic Celebration** – Parents' Evening work display

This half term, in class, we will be...

- Explore the different natural disasters that occur worldwide.
- Explore how and why natural disasters occur.
- Look at significant dates linked to a natural disaster and the impact it had on the world.
- Looking at volcanic artwork in the style of Margaret Godfrey.
- Learning and creating a natural disaster dance in PE.
- Classes Lime and Maroon will be reading a selection of non-fiction texts as well as 'Hurricane' by David Wiesner.
- Classes Indigo, Turquoise and Magenta will be reading 'Running Wild' by Michael Morpurgo.
- In science, we will be learning all about states of matter in classes Lime, Maroon and Indigo and about forces in classes Turquoise and Magenta.
- Exploring a typical French high street and learning cardinal points
- Finding out about what different people believe about God in Lime and Maroon classes. Indigo will be finding out what matters most to Christians and Humanists. Magenta and Turquoise class will be looking at what religions say to us when life gets hard.

