



## THORNHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Tigers Class Learning Diary

Week beginning: 29th April 2019

#### Literacy

This week the children will be looking at descriptive writing over the two weeks. The children will be focusing on the book "Escape from Pompeii" which is linked to our topic. We children will also be developing the skill of improving their sentence building with bump it up techniques. The children will plan their writing using story maps and retell the story through a characters eyes.

#### Maths

During this week in maths the children are learning about money. We are adding and subtracting pounds and pence with and without renaming. As the class to the near the end of this unit, we will set up a shop and café and the children will be adding up the shopping and checking their change. The children will also be having hands on practical experience with money to aid them in their learning.

The children will do daily times tables tests for 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,11 and 12. It is very important that children are practicing their times tables at home as it is a big part of their maths work in class.

This week's times table focus is 5 times and divide times tables.

To develop your child's times-tables, there are many different websites they can play on. Topmarks is a very good website and can also broaden their understanding of maths.

#### Topic

Our topic this term is earthquakes and volcanoes. The children will link topic into their English, Art, DT, Geography, History and ICT.

In History we are looking at the history of Luton. This week we are researching and discussing the impact of the hat industry in Luton.

In art we are looking at landscape art by the artists Van Gogh and Matisse.

#### P.E

This half term the children will focus on ball skills while cricket lessons with our Rising Star coach. Assessment information will be passed on to us.

In our Thursday session, we will be taking part in athletics and developing our skills.

#### Information

All children must read at home at least three times a week with an adult. The adult must also date, comment and sign the child's record book. Don't forget to ask your child questions about the book which also develops their understanding of the text further.

Every Thursday the children will bring home a library book and an activity book. This book **MUST** be returned the following Thursday to allow the children to change them.

*Happy reading!*

#### Homework

Homework will be handed out on a Wednesday afternoon to be completed and returned no later than Monday.