

Useful dates

Spring 1

17/1 – No More Knives
police assembly (Y6 only)

6/2 – Safer Internet Day

6/2 – Inclusion coffee
morning (staffroom)

9/2 – School closes for half
term at 3.30 p.m.

Spring 2

19/2 – school reopens

26/2 – Y5/6 trip to Magna
(details to follow)

5/3 – Inclusion coffee
morning (staffroom)

7/3 – World Book Day

11/3 – Y5/6 workshare
with parents (pm)

12/3 and 14/3 – parental
consultation evenings

18/3 – SATS information
meeting 3:30pm (Y6
parents only)

22/3 – school closes for
Easter at 2:30pm

Volcanoes and Earthquakes

How do tectonic plates form volcanoes and earthquakes?

Overview of the topic

This is a geography topic in which the children will find out about the formation of the Earth. They will begin with learning about tectonic plates, continental drift and how our world has changed over millions of years. We will then focus on volcanoes and how they form. We will explore human geography by discussing the advantages and disadvantages of living near a volcano. In English we will write disaster stories, non-chronological reports and also read the novel, *Volcano Adventure*.

After half term we will explore earthquakes, where these occur and why they occur. The children will find out about earthquake drills and what to do to stay as safe as possible during an earthquake.

In science we begin with a unit on electricity then move onto Forces.

If you need to contact any of the Y5/6 teaching team, please send an email to:

Year5_6@wes.rklt.co.uk

Useful Links – please click

[How you can help your child at home](#)

[BBC Bitesize](#)

Western Curriculum Drivers

Use of Technology



The Natural World



Diversity



Values Health and Well-being



Staff in Y5/6



Teaching staff
Mrs Brooke
Mrs Howes
Mrs Sykes
Mr Longley



Support staff
Mrs Tilson
Mrs Barton
Mr Pacey
Mr Franklin
Miss O'Connor
Mrs Read-Rowlands

Additional staff

Miss O'Connor (pupil support), Mrs Read-Rowlands (pupil support) Mrs Reilly (French and pupil support), Mrs Gwilliam (music), Mr Sherwood (P.E.)