



# West Dean Church of England Primary School

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We do our best in all we do, with God's love.

'Love one another. As I have loved you, so must you love one another.

John 13

Dear Beech Class parents and carers

We hope you all enjoyed a relaxing and enjoyable half term break. This half term, Beech Class is embarking on an exciting new topic, "Earth Shattering Events." The children will explore the science behind natural disasters such as volcanoes and earthquakes, including how they occur, their impact, and how people stay safe. In maths, we will be focusing on length, perimeter, fractions, and mass and capacity, developing key measurement skills that will be applied to real-world scenarios. In English, the children will write news reports and fictional survival stories based on natural disasters, practicing their descriptive writing, direct speech, and sentence structure skills.

In science, we will investigate electricity, building circuits and exploring how they work. Our geography and history lessons will focus on the causes and effects of volcanoes and earthquakes, and how these events shape the world. The children will also learn desktop publishing in computing, creating informative publications on their learning. In design and technology, the children will design and build a device to aid disaster relief, while in music, they will prepare songs for a performance at Chichester Cathedral. We are looking forward to a term filled with engaging and creative activities as we explore the dramatic and fascinating world of natural disasters.

Best wishes,

Mrs Pierron, Mrs Anstee and Miss Scott