



# THE FRIDAY FOCUS

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The fortnightly Friday Focus is the chance for every class at Clavering to share their learning with the Clavering school community. This is a great opportunity to find out what each year group has been up to and engage in conversations around learning.

## RECEPTION

The children are really enjoying their new topic about space and are learning lots of facts using our lovely topic loan books.

In Maths, we are learning to add two amounts together using magnetic counters and cubes to practice the concept of putting two groups together to make bigger amounts. We have even begun to record our addition using the squares in our books and the symbols  $+$  and  $=$ .





## CLASS 3

In Topic Class 3 are learning about mountains. This week we have learned the 3 key features of mountains. These are a peak, a slope and a valley. We also learnt how the four different mountains are formed:

Fold mountains



When two plates collide, land (or even the sea bed) may be pushed upwards and folded.

Fault-block mountains



Parts of a fractured plate are forced to move up (while other parts are pushed down), as the whole plate travels forward. The land forced up is a new mountain range.

Volcanoes (or Fire mountains)



These peaks are formed by a series of eruptions, in which lava gushes out of the volcano's crater. When this molten rock cools, it solidifies, adding another layer to the ground. Over time the volcano grows, with lava from numerous eruptions piling up.

Dome mountains



A huge swelling of magma pushes up under the earth's crust, but never erupts. The magma cools to form new rock, but may not be revealed as a mountain until millions of years later, after the weather, glaciers and rivers have worked on the rocks on top that are more easily broken down and carried away.

The children then had to present this information in their book.



## CLASS 4

Year 4 have been working with Charlotte from the Mental Health support Team. We have been thinking about the Zones of Regulation and how to manage our emotions. We have been practising using skills to help us - including trying out different yoga positions, controlled breathing, and visualisation. Each week we add to our backpack resources and use the strategies to help us feel happy and ready to work. We have really been enjoying our sessions and have lots of fun.





