

Year 3 Newsletter

January 2017

Welcome to Term 3.

Year 3 have hit the ground running after the lovely break. We have already started our class text: *Volcano Adventure* by Willard Price and have begun to explore the structure of a volcano.

Our English work will be based around adventure stories and include introducing characters, writing dialogue, descriptive passages and creating excitement and tension.

In Maths, we are reviewing the place value of numbers up to 1000 before moving on to fractions of shapes and numbers.

In Science we are investigating forces by carrying out our own fair tests.

In Geography we will extend our knowledge of volcanoes by finding out where they occur, along with the destruction they leave behind and the benefits they give.

In Art we will be emulating the volcanic art of Warhol and trying to create texture by using different media.

Brain Builders

Thank you for the wonderful selection of projects that were created last term. The Brain Builder this term coincides with our Geography theme - "What makes the Earth angry?" We are looking forward to seeing your fantastic work which needs to be given in by Tuesday 7th February.

Polite reminder:

As per school policy, children may consume *fresh* fruit/vegetables as a break time snack. Also, hair accessories should be purposeful, small and subtle please.

If your child would be interested in learning to play an instrument, please request further information from the school office. We look forward to strengthening the numbers of musicians at school and being able to develop the talents of the next X-Factor or Britain's Got Talent hopeful.

Reading

Please remember the importance of Reading at home. For your child to fully develop their skills in this area it is important to not just decode a text but also answer questions relating to review (asking who, what, where, when?), inference (asking why?) and deduction (asking how?).

Thank you:

A big thank you for the lovely Christmas cards and gifts.

Pencil Cases



These need to be small enough to fit in your child's tray. The only stationery used in class is a sharp pencil, ruler, rubber, green biro, red colouring pencil, a small dry wipe pen, a glue stick and a dark blue Berol handwriting pen. All of these are provided by school therefore no pencil cases are needed; especially those that have buttons and secret compartments which can be of a great distraction during lessons.