

Linden Autumn 1 Newsletter

Topic Theme: Volcanoes

Welcome Back!

I hope you have all had a fantastic Summer and are refreshed and ready for your first half term as a year 4!

In literacy we will be using images and video footage to help us write a setting description of the market in Pompeii. We will also be using the novel study 'Escape from Pompeii' to write newspaper reports. We will continue to develop our handwriting, spelling and knowledge of grammar on a daily basis.

In Numeracy we will be refreshing our understanding of number and place value. We will also be using formal written methods to solve addition and subtraction calculations and problems. This half term we will also be focusing on our 3 and 9 x table and consolidation of our Y3 tables too.

In Geography we will be learning about Volcanoes; the types of volcanoes, where they are found in the world and what creates a volcanic eruption. We will look more closely at their position in relation to the Equator and the reasons for this.

In Science we will be exploring solids, liquids and gases. We will be learning about their properties and different states of matter through research and scientific experiments.

In Art and Design, we will be developing our pencil techniques. We will then focus on mixed media creations of volcano art through: marbling, bleeding and other techniques. We will also be studying work by the artist 'Margaret Godfrey'.

In Music we will be covering various areas within the curriculum through Ukulele lessons. This will be taught by a Music Tutor from Barnsley Music Services called Mr Fuller. Lessons will be every Monday morning.

Other information

- PE days are Monday and Thursday and this half term we will be developing our Netball skills, with our other session focusing on Fitness. (Kit: coloured T-shirt and blue/ black shorts or leggings).
 - Homework sheets will be sent home on Monday (starting WB: 11.09.23)
 - Spellings and Times tables will be tested the following Friday.
- Reading record charts should be completed weekly when you listen to your child read.
- **We are looking forward to working with you this year as the new Linden class!**