



## Year 3/4 Newsletter - Autumn 2018

Welcome to a new, exciting academic year. We would also like to say a big welcome to our new member of staff, Miss Spratling.

This half term, our topic is 'What makes the Earth angry?' To launch this topic, the children have been sketching pictures of erupting volcanoes. Throughout the topic, we will be learning about natural disasters and their causes. We will also learn the geography of places affected by natural disasters.

For reading and writing, we will continue to use the text 'Wizard of Oz,' as it links perfectly with our topic work. We will use this text to learn about and use many different ways of starting sentences, including fronted adverbials.

In maths lessons, we will be reading, writing, ordering, comparing and rounding numbers up to 10 000.

As Scientists, the children will be learning all about volcanoes. To launch this topic, the children will make their very own erupting volcanoes!

### General Information

**Homework** - Children will be given homework every week on a Friday. This homework is due the following Wednesday. Please ensure your child completes their homework in their Homework Challenge book and brings it back to school on the correct day.

**Home reading** - Children are expected to read at least 4 times a week. This can be their home reading books or a book from home. Their reading must be recorded in their blue journals and brought back daily to school. When the children read, they will receive points which can be exchanged for reading prizes.

**Sandshoes** - Please check that your child has sandshoes for inside school. These should be brought to school in a bag, that can be kept on your child's peg.

**PE** - In Year 3 and 4, we have both indoor and outdoor PE sessions. Please send your child with appropriate footwear and a suitable kit for both of these lessons. Class 5 have PE on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Class 6 have PE on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Class 7 have PE on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Wilkinson, Miss Hargreaves, Miss Marrow and Miss Spratling.