

Year 4

Autumn 1 Term 2024

Topic- Volcanoes

In geography this term we will be learning what the earth is made up of. Where we can find volcanoes and how they are structured. We will look into the dangers and effects of a volcanic eruption-looking into historical eruptions in time!



During Art we will be taking inspiration from the artist Katsushika Hokusai's painting of 'Fine wind, clear morning'.

Maths

Our maths focus for this term will be ...

Place value-

- Counting in multiples of 25 and 1,000
- Finding 1,000 more or less than a number
- Counting backwards into negative numbers
- Recognising the place value of each digit number.
- Ordering and comparing numbers beyond 1,000
- Rounding numbers
- Roman numerals
- Addition and subtraction

We will sit the new statutory times table test in June 2025.

It is an expectation, by the end of Year 4, for children to know their times tables up to 12 x 12. Please encourage your child to practise, practise, practise!

Literacy

This autumn term we will focus upon our place value and punctuation unit to ensure that the basics of literacy are in place for when the children are writing.

This term our **writing** focuses will be...

- Common and proper nouns
- Partitive and collective nouns
- Verbs and verb phrases
- Regular and irregular verbs
- The subject and verb in sentences
- Building single clause sentences
- Coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

This terms **spelling** focus will be:

- Continuing to learn common exception words
- Use and apply homophones.
- Adverbs of time and cause. Causal language.
- Common exception words.
- We are focussing on pre-fixes and suffixes that are added to root words.

This terms **reading** focus will be:

- Apply their knowledge of root words, prefixes, and suffixes, (morphology and etymology) both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet.
- Make comparisons within and across books.

- We ask that children regularly practise and learn their **times tables**. It has been proven to make a massive difference to the speed and accuracy of their calculation skills.
- Reading is important so please try and listen to your child **read at least three times** a week, this does not have to be a whole book, just 5 minutes or a few pages each time. Please ensure that your child is bringing in their reading record every day to school.
- Swimming is on Friday, please ensure the children bring a coat now it is getting into the colder months.
- The children will get weekly homework-this will include spellings that relate to what has been covered that week during our **SCODE** lessons.

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1	Year 2
the	door
a	gold
do	floor
to	poor
today	because
of	find
said	kind
says	mind
are	behind
were	child
was	children
is	wild
his	climb
has	most
I	only
you	both
your	old
	cold
they	plant
be	path
once	bath
ask	hour
me	move
friend	prove
school	improve
she	sure
we	Mr
no	money
go	steak
pull	pretty
full	sugar
house	eye
by	after
my	fast
here	last
there	past
where	father
love	class
come	grass
some	pass
	many
	clothes
	busy
	people
	water
	again
	half
	money
	Mrs
	parents
	Christmas
	everybody
	even



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Year 3 and 4 Common Exception Words

Aa	breath	continue	exercise	guard	Kk	naughty	position	recent	Tt
accident	build	Dd	experience	guide	Knowledge	notice	possess	regular	therefore
accidentally	busy	decide	extreme	Hh	Ll	Oo	possession	reign	through
actual	business	describe	Ff	heard	learn	occasion	possible	remember	thought
actually	Cc	different	famous	heart	length	occasionally	potatoes	Ss	through
address	calendar	difficult	favourite	height	library	often	pressure	sentence	Vv
although	caught	disappear	February	history	Mm	opposite	probably	separate	various
answer	centre	Ee	forward	Ii	material	ordinary	promise	special	Ww
appear	century	early	forwards	imagine	medicine	Pp	purpose	straight	weight
arrive	certain	earth	fruit	increase	mention	particular	quarter	strength	woman
Bb	circle	eight	Gg	important	minute	peculiar	quarter	strength	women
believe	complete	eight	grammar	interest	Nn	perhaps	question	suppose	
bicycle	consider	enough	group	island	natural	popular	Rr	surprise	