



# Seven Stars Primary School

## Pegasus Class Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2022

Welcome back to Spring Term in what has been a very strange year so far, Your children are always eager to learn and it is showing in their work. In Autumn the outdoor learning was a great success and will be repeated again in Summer. We have now been given the opportunity to swim in Year 4 and the children have taken to that magnificently. We are looking forward to trying so many more new things and seeing what the children can do and watching them grow.

Mrs Wheatland, Mr Stott, Mrs Bretherton and Miss Blundell

### P.E.

PE is now on a Tuesday, with swimming on a Thursday. Please ensure children come to school with their swimsuits on. Earrings should either not be worn on PE days, or need to be covered with plasters, but cannot be worn when swimming.

### School Values

Our school values are tolerance, honesty, respect, resilience, determination, responsibility, kindness, courage, gratitude and empathy. We will be awarding a VIP certificate every week for one of these values.

### PSHE

We will be looking at three topics this term. Our first is how belonging to a community is important and the differences we find there. Our second topic will be linking to Computing and increasing our digital literacy. Our final unit will be looking at money management and how to create and maintain a budget.

### English

This term we are starting with fantasy stories. We will be reading Firework Makers Daughter which will help us work on building description and using dialogue in our writing. We will be creating our own Kenning poetry focusing on the structure and then some news report writing based on volcanic eruptions. The children will move onto another Novel after half term called Escape From Pompeii where the children will be working on creating paragraphs. The children are constantly looking for new ways to begin their sentences such as using fronted adverbials and adverb openers. They are trying hard to remember their basic punctuation when writing at length.

### Maths

There are 5 units of learning this term. These include Place Value and using decimal numbers, multiplication using Grid Method and adding and subtracting fractions. We will be practicing our times tables every day using various methods, including chanting, singing and playing games online. We will also be using Times Table Rock Stars throughout the whole year.

### Topic

Our topic this term is Vicious Volcanoes and Rotten Romans.

**Geography** - understanding how the Earth was formed and the structure of the Earth, finding out how tectonic plates work and how they can cause volcanoes and volcanic eruptions. We will be looking at Different types of volcanoes and how we know if they are active or extinct. We will also look at the impact volcanoes can have on the humans and wildlife that live nearby.

**Art** - Creating a piece of Batik Volcanic art based on the influences of the artist Margret Godfrey

**D.T.** - Pop up books

**Science** - Sound and how we hear, plants and animals in their habitats- grouping and classifying

**Computing** - We are looking at how we can stay safe online and how to use the internet responsibly.

**Music** - We are learning about music from another culture this term. Brazil provides our focus for singing and playing musical instruments whilst composing our own Samba rhythms.