





## This Week

In English, we have concluded our writing using 'The Volcano Challenge'. We have written our own short version of the story. I hope the children have enjoyed this different style of book and begin to expand their reading horizons more. In Maths, we have focussed on fractions; identifying decimal equivalents, converting between improper fractions and mixed numbers, adding and subtracting fractions as well as calculating fractions of amounts. In RE, we had guite a loud lesson performing our own version of Psalm 150. We rewrote the psalm using instruments we have in school then read it aloud and played our instruments too. In Science, we tested a variety of metal objects to answer the question 'Do all metals conduct electricity?' We also attempted to use a lemon battery, but even with 16 lemons, we were unsuccessful. In Geography, we sampled a variety of Italian exports including meats, cheeses, lemonade. In DT, we began to create our buzzwire games. In PE, the Year 5 children went swimming. In Computing, we added animations to our Powerpoint Presentations.

### Children's Mental Health Week

Next week, we are going to celebrate Children's Mental Health Week and have a focus on encouraging the children to talk about their concerns. On Monday we are going to have an inside-out day! We're going to wear our jumpers inside out as a reminder that we can't see what's going on inside so we need to talk about it. On Thursday, we are having an NSPCC Maths Day. The children can wear green (in line with the colour scheme) and bring in a £1 donation.

# **Borwick Hall Forms (Y5)**

Please ensure the Medical 3B Form and the Photo Consent forms are completed and returned to school by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Please contact school if you have any further questions concerning the visit.

### Stars of the Week

The CHRISTIAN VALUE award for HUMILITY goes to Jake B for the humble way he has responded to the praise about his handwriting.

The **CURRICULUM** star is **Alfie** for a brilliant methodical approach to the Science investigation this week.

#### Behaviour

We have had a change around in seating this week to encourage the children to focus on their work. The children whose behaviour has shone this week on Outstanding at least 3 times are:

Emmanuel, Jensen, Lucy

**Important Dates** 

Thur 6<sup>th</sup> Feb: NSPCC Maths Day. Children can wear green for a £1 donation Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feb: Deadline for Borwick forms Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y5 swimming Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Feb: Homework deadline Wed 12<sup>th</sup> to Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb: Borwick Hall residential Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb: Break up for half term at 3:15pm Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Feb: Inset day Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Feb: school reopens at 8:55am Thur 5<sup>th</sup> Mar: Sing Together Concert at King George's Hall, Blackburn Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Mar: Parents' Evening 3:30-5pm Thur 12<sup>th</sup> Mar: Parents' Evening 3:30-5pm and 6-7pm Thur 19<sup>th</sup> Mar: Y3/4 day visit to Borwick Hall Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Mar: Mothers' Afternoon Tea; KS1 2-2:30pm, KS2 2:30-3pm Thur 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr: Easter Service at 10am Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr: Close for Easter holidays at 2pm

Have a lovely weekend. See you on Monday.

Mr Bateman