

## Message from class teachers:

We hope you all had a lovely May half term and that you have all been enjoying the wonderful sunshine! We are looking forward to continuing learning about North America and improving with our instruments. Remember, if you wish to speak with us about your child's learning please do not hesitate to contact us and we will arrange a meeting with you.

**Teachers:** Miss Brockley  
Mr Washington  
Mrs Pattison

**Teaching Assistants:** Mrs Webster  
Mrs Rogers  
Miss Morris

## Our topics this half term

History and Geography: North America.

PE: Swimming / Athletics.

Computing: We are Software Developers – developing educational games.

Art: Painting techniques / portraits.

DT: Designing and creating our own volcano!

The children are going to be continuing to learn about the continent of North America. The focus this half term is going to be on volcanoes in North America and famous artists such as Richard Phillips. The children will be building their own volcano (see below for a materials list).

In English the children are going to be writing an extra scene for a play script, with a focus on using the use of brackets in stage directions and introducing the terms main and subordinate clauses when writing sentences.

In Maths this term we will mainly be focusing on co-ordinates and bar charts. They will be learning to work out how to find and plot co-ordinates and interpret data in bar charts.

## General Reminders:

### PE:

Mr Washington's class will continue swimming on a Monday afternoon, and have PE on Thursdays. Miss Brockley's class will now be doing PE on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit every lesson and that all items are clearly labelled. Can the children remember trainers as they will be outdoors, running!

### Homework:

Your child will be given a new piece of homework at the beginning of this half term, please complete this in their homework book.

### Reading:

We will hear your child read individually once a fortnight and once a week in guided reading sessions. Please continue to read and share a range of texts with your child at home. Also, remember to fill in the book marks. A complete 25 stars wins a treat from the box!

**Volcano Building:** The children are designing and making their own volcanoes. Can they please bring in materials that they will want to use to build their volcanoes e.g. newspaper, card, plastic bottles etc.

## Important Dates:

- 20.6.17 – Sports Day (morning) Competitive Sports.
- 21.6.17 – Halle Orchestra
- 28.6.17 – Trip to Rosliston Forestry Centre
- 30.6.17 – Sports day (morning) Carousel of sport activities.
- 5.7.17 – Parental Engagement 2:15pm – 3:15pm.
- 26.7.17 – Last day of term.
- 27.7.17 – Summer holidays.

## Useful websites:

[www.educationcity.co.uk](http://www.educationcity.co.uk)

[www.purplemash.co.uk](http://www.purplemash.co.uk)