

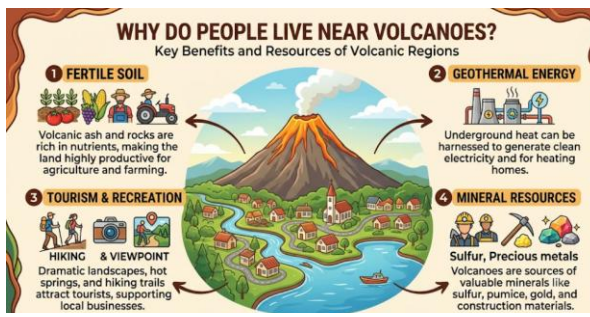
Sankey Valley St James CE Primary School

Year 3 newsletter Autumn 1st Half 2026

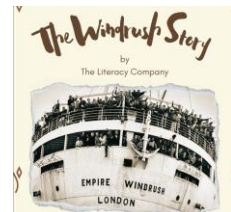
Belong Respect Create Flourish

In geography we will be learning about the different layers of the Earth, and how and where mountains are formed.

Then we will look at how and where volcanoes and earthquakes occur to answer the question 'Why do people live near volcanoes?'



Our main text in English will be *Coming to England* by Floella Benjamin. Our focus will be on making sure all year 2 punctuation is consistently used including full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas in a list and apostrophes for contractions. We will also be focusing on expanded noun phrases.



In RE we will be learning about harvest traditions around the world. We will also be looking at people who have been called by God and the impact this has on their lives.



I came that you might have life and live life in all its fullness - John 10:10

Maths We start looking at place value. Children will read and write numbers to 1000 before a unit on addition and subtraction. During Year 3 they will learn formal methods and it is important they use the correct language of 'hundreds, tens and ones' as well as 'exchanging' (rather than borrowing or carrying which was used in the past). We will also be making sure 2, 5 and 10 times tables are secure before starting the 3, 4 and 8s.

Science

We will be comparing and grouping different skeletons and learning about the main bones and joints. We will be learning about how movement is possible and what nutrition we need to keep our bodies healthy.



Important information

Year 3 need their PE kit in school every day. It can be left for the half term.

Children are expected to complete homework each day. They should read and practice either a maths or spelling activity. It should take no longer than 20 minutes.

Please feel free to send me a message on the Classdojo if you have any questions.

Miss Wheeler

