

## Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope all our families enjoyed a happy, healthy Christmas holiday. It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school this week. They have settled back enthusiastically into learning very quickly, enjoying their experience days and introductions to their new books for this half term.

I am pleased to introduce both Mrs Amie Johnson (Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for safeguarding, behaviour and pastoral) and Miss Ellie Metcalf (Lime Trust Consultant Deputy Headteacher with responsibility for SENCO role) to Lime Academy Parnwell. They both started in their roles this week and have enjoyed getting to know both children and staff.

There have been some lovely comments recently from visitors and members of the public during school trips and visits regarding how smart our children look in their uniform. Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that the school uniform policy requires a school jumper or cardigan, a white shirt or polo shirt, black/grey trousers or skirts, a school tie and black shoes.

On return to school this week we have noticed many children wearing jewellery and watches. Please can remind all families that we ask children to wear stud earrings only and they may choose to wear a watch to help them tell the time. Rings, bracelets and necklaces are not appropriate in school and should stay at home please. We know some children have received a new smart watch for Christmas but we ask that these are best worn outside of school to prevent them becoming broken, damaged or lost in school.

As a school, we are constantly reviewing how we can support children effectively in school and at home with schemes and programmes that we purchase. We have evaluated the impact of Doodle Maths and have made the decision not to continue with this. The children will remain having access to Times Table Rock Stars which we have seen the children engage with and enjoy which has helped them to make good

## Attendance Congratulations

*Classes with great attendance:*

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## Celebrating Punctuality

*Lowest number of late marks:*

KS1 – 2AM, RBH

KS2 – 4TM

progress with their mental maths skills. We ask you to continue to encourage your children with this at home. If your child enjoyed Doodle Maths, you can purchase a license for them to access this at home. Information can be found here <https://www.doodlelearning.com/for-parents> and they are offering a 20% discount for all pupils at Lime Academy Parnwell.

The COVID rate and omicron variant remain a concern for both the city and the country. Our school risk assessment has been updated and added to the school website. Attached to this newsletter is a letter from Jonathan Lewis, Director of Education for Peterborough City Council, which includes a revised isolation infographic, as well as an updated flowchart for parents. If your child shows signs of COVID-19 or tests positive on either a lateral flow test (LFD) or PCR test please inform the school office, who will be able to guide you on self-isolation periods.

I look forward to sharing autumn term reports and news of exciting opportunities for this term with you over the coming weeks. Thank you for your continued support at **Lime Academy Parnwell**.

Best wishes,

Mr Ben Newstead

Headteacher

From 11th January in England, **people who receive a positive lateral flow test for COVID-19 won't be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.**

They should continue to self-isolate.

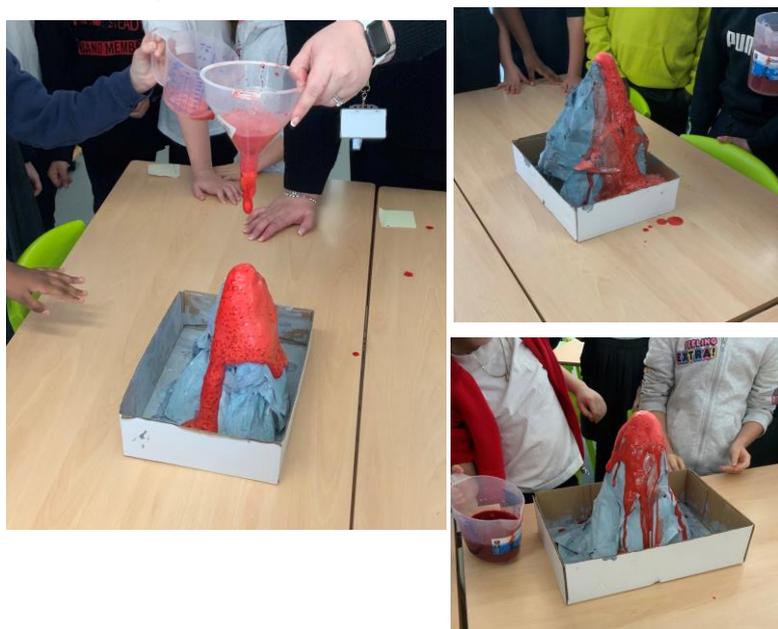


## Reception Experience day

On Friday, Reception children took part in their experience day for their new topic all about Winter. The children were exploring the school's wooded area where they were looking out for different animal tracks and also did some bird watching. They also created their own bird feeders.

## Making Volcanoes Erupt in Year 3

Year 3 have been busy creating volcanoes this week to link with their English book 'Escape from Pompeii'. They then had fun watching all of their volcanoes erupt!



## Year 1 Experience day

This week, Year 1 have had an experience day based on their non-fiction text for the term, 'The emperors egg'. The children researched facts about emperor penguins and have made these penguins in the picture.



## Dinner Menu

On the week commencing, 10<sup>th</sup> January 22, we start week 4 of the Dinner Menu. [School Dinner Menu](#)

## Key Dates

All of the trips below are on Arbor. Please ensure that you give permission and start to make payments.

More information to follow:

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Snow White Pantomime performing in school
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 22	Year 3 Life in Roman Britain Day Experience Day
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> January – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 6 Residential Trip to Grafham Water



## OPEN ACCESS PLAY & YOUTH CLUB SESSIONS

At

The Woodfield Park Community Centre (formerly known as the Charteris Centre), Normanton Road, Welland, Peterborough, PE1 4XE

**Free Open Access Play**, come along and join us for fun activities including arts and crafts, games and much more.

**Families and children aged 5-13 years are welcome**

**on Saturdays from 10am- 1pm**

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**Monday Night Youth Club**, young people aged 12 to 19 years old are welcome to pop along, make new friends, come along and enjoy a range of activities, including cooking, games, quizzes

and much more!

**Mondays from 5pm- 6.30pm**



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