

Year 4 Newsletter

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Our topic in Term 1 is 'The Romans'

Topic Work: This term, we will be looking at the geographical spread of The Roman Empire and the impact that the Romans had in history.

English: Our main texts this term are Romulus and Remus followed by Boudicca, linking to our topic of The Romans. Within our English lessons, the children will be learning a range of different Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar skills to apply within their writing.

Maths: This term, we will be focussing on place value and learning different methods to solve addition and subtraction problems.

Science: This term, our topic is Materials, focussing on the states of matter. We will be taking part in experiments to practise our scientific skills.

PSHE / RE: This term, we will be focussing on Christianity and learning why Jesus is inspiring to some people. During PSHE we will be focusing on how and when we can use our initiative.

Art: We will be creating traditional Roman mosaics as well as making a Roman shield and helmet.



PE

Onyx and Tanzanite - Wednesday

This term, we will be working on multi-skills and gymnastics. **Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit every Wednesday.**

Even in the cold weather we will still try to go outside each week so please provide suitable kit.



**Y4 Parents 'Meet the Teacher' Thursday
16th September at 3-3.15pm on the play-ground.**

How can you help at home?

Please take time to enjoy a story with your children whether they are reading or you.

Times Table and Division Facts

Times tables and division facts are key areas for building confidence in maths. As a result, by the end of Year 4 all children are expected to know their times tables. Therefore, we will be having daily times tables practise. Please support your child with learning their times tables up to the 12s and encourage your child to identify the relationships between them. Thank you for your continued support.

Water Bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named water bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. **This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.**



Reading

The children engage in many reading activities as part of their English sessions. Through the AR scheme, your child will have a band of books that they may choose from, which should all be suitable for their current reading ability. Your child needs to be secure with what they have read, so they may be encouraged to read their book more than once before completing the quiz. It is important that your child reads daily, we offer reading time in school throughout the day but this needs to be supported at home too. If you have any queries about the system, please contact your child's class teacher.

Please ensure that your child brings their reading book to school everyday and you have signed their reading record to say that you have listened to them read. Thank you.



Children should come to school everyday wearing the correct uniform, including shoes. Please discuss with us if your child is not wearing the correct uniform or shoes.

Long hair **MUST** be tied up securely every day and be able to stay up all day. Bands will be given if they have not secured their hair. No nail varnish is to be worn.