

Year Four Newsletter – Spring Term



Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and are ready for a new term of learning all about the Romans!

PE



Monday – Swimming until February half term

Friday – PE

Children should bring their swimming bags on Monday and remove earrings.
On Thursdays, children come to school in PE kit with earrings removed. This term we are taking part in swimming, gymnastics and team games.

Diary Dates for this half term

Friday 30th January – Class photos

9th – 13th February – Mental Health Week

16th – 20th February - Half term

Monday 23rd February – Inset Day

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

9-13th March – Assessment week/British Science week

18th & 19th March – Parents' evening

Friday 20th March – Red Nose Day

Wednesday 25th March – Year 4 showcase

Friday 27th March – Easter Eggtravaganza

Enquiry

This term's enquiry is a History theme. Throughout our enquiry sessions this term we are going to be answering the question, "**Is conflict ever justified?**" Each week we will be building up our knowledge to answer our main question.

This term we will be looking at:

Week 1 – We will start our learning with a visit from Partake Theatre to learn about the Romans while taking part in many activities.

Week 2 – We will be uncovering an important historical figure in the Roman times and her rebellion!

Week 3 – In English, we will be creating our own Roman battle scene to create action and showcase our understanding of Roman battles.

Week 4 – In PSHE, we will be looking at conflict as a whole and explore different ways to combat problems we may face.

Week 5 – In DT, we will start creating our very own catapults which we have researched and designed.

Week 6 – In Science, we are going to investigate and identify different conductors and insulators.

Week 7 – This week in Enquiry, we will identify the impact of the Romans on our lives today and how land has changed over time.

Week 8 – This week, we will look at Roman beliefs and their significance in history.

Week 9 – In Science, we are planning an investigation all about materials affecting the flow of an electrical current in a circuit.

Week 10 – To finalise our learning, we are going to plot key events through Roman history on a time line.

Week 11 – We will be hosting our showcase this week which will allow us to share our learning with you all!

Week 12 – We will create our final piece of learning by creating a Horrible History style video!

Times Table Rockstars

It is vital that your child keeps up with their multiplication recall as this will benefit their learning in the classroom. Not only this, but their efforts will be identified in Friday assemblies as they can receive awards for the most coins earned and the most correct answers.

If your child cannot remember their logins, please contact me and I will provide the details required.

Homework

On Dojo, you have access to our home learning menus. This is a great and fun way of further supporting your child's learning at home. Don't forget to upload your work to Dojo to gain Dojo points. These can be done at any point up until the end of the term.



Reading



It is essential that pupils are encouraged to read at home to develop their fluency, vocabulary and it will open many more doors to their learning. Please remember to write in their reading diaries each time you read together, as each time they read three or more times a week, they get a raffle ticket, which then enters them into a weekly prize draw to win a range of prizes!

Please ensure your child has their name in all their belongings to prevent them being lost.