

### What we are learning:

Our new topic will focus on the history of the Roman Empire and its effect on modern day life in Britain. We will be learning about the time period they invaded and settled in Britain as well as what happened whilst they were here.

#### Key Questions:

Where did the Roman Empire originate?

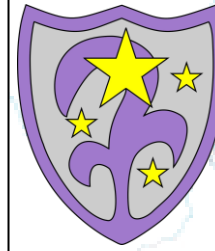
When did they invade Britain?

When did they leave Britain?

How are we still benefitting from the Roman invasion?

### Literacy, Communication and Language Genres

The children will be looking at the skills needed for a range of text genres this term ranging from a diary entry to an information text. Both writing focusses will be based around the theme of Romans. As well as this, children will be taught to retrieve information from information texts to support their understanding of the Roman invasion of Britain.



### Maths

In Maths, both Year 3 and 4 the children will be furthering their understanding of multiplication and division. They will be using the skills they develop in order to solve set challenges and problems.

### Physical, Emotional Health and Wellbeing

In PE, the children will be refining their gymnastic skills they have previously learned as well as being introduced to some new ones. The children will also develop their athletics skills indoors.

In PSHE, our topic theme will be 'Staying Safe' We will be learning about how to stay safe both online and offline.

What did the romans do for us?

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### MFL

In French, we will be learning to respond to classroom instructions given in French as well as sing along to a French Christmas Carol.

### Presentation of Learning

Children will be creating an information text as part of cross curricular English and Topic lessons to highlight the key events of the Roman invasion.

### Understanding of the World

In Science, the children will be developing a greater understanding of forces and magnets. The children will be confident in using scientific equipment such as a Newton Metre to measure a force.

In History, the children will be learning about the origins of the Roman Empire and will be particularly focusing on how their invasion of Britain has affected life in this country today. All children will be able to recall significant facts around the events of the Roman invasion.

In RE, The children will be investigating the beliefs of a Muslim and the importance of the god Allah in their religion. Children will also look at the significance of visual symbols within a mosque.

In computing, children will begin to develop their digital literacy skills by using new applications such as Google Arts and Culture as well as revisiting and building on previous applications such as Microsoft Word and Google Earth.

### Expressive Arts and Design

In music, children will be learning about the language of music through playing the glockenspiel.

In Art and Design, children will be designing a Christmas card which will involve a stuffed a character design. As well as this, children will be analysing and recreating the work of famous cartoon illustrator Quentin Blake.

A copy of this class newsletter is also available on our school website: <http://www.ellistonprimary.net>