




Our topic this half term: Ruthless Romans!

Our books this half term: Escape from Pompeii, Queen of Darkness Boudica's Army Will Rise, Meet the Ancient Romans, Horrible Histories: Rotten Romans.

Our enrichment this half term: Roman Out Reach Session

Project On a Page ideas due in date: If your child completes any of the Project on a Page suggestions (or one of their own) please bring these into school once completed and we will showcase them as a class and celebrate their work. Thank you.

<p>English</p>	<p>In English this half term, we will be learning how to write newspaper articles, based on the book 'Escape from Pompeii'. In this unit, children will learn how to punctuate direct speech properly (new speaker, new line). We will also look at the use of the possessive apostrophe for singular and plural nouns. We will also recap the use of 'a' and 'an' and also the use of fronted adverbials. As well as writing their own newspaper reports, children will write part of a narrative which includes direct speech and we will also look at some poetry.</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: Research about Pompeii and make a fact file. Find as many non-fiction books as you can about the Romans and create a reading list. Write a diary as if you live in Ancient Rome.</p>		
<p>Maths</p>	<p>This half term, we will complete two units on multiplication and division where children will learn various concepts such as, 7, 11 and 12 multiplication and division facts, multiplying 3 numbers, factor pairs, informal written methods for multiplication, as well as multiplying and dividing 2- and 3-digit numbers. We will also complete lots of times tables work in preparation for the Multiplication Test Check in June 2025!</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: To make a poster to teach other children about Roman numerals. Create some challenges in Roman numerals.</p>		
<p>Science</p>	<p>Our science topic this half term is all about states of matter. Children will learn about solids, liquids and gases, melting and freezing and condensing and evaporating. As well as this, we will look at the water cycle and the impact of climate change. This unit will include lots of exciting practical experiments! We will start the unit by looking at the properties of solids, liquids and gases.</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: Create your own investigation to test the properties of solids, liquids and gases.</p>		
<p>PSHE/RSE</p>	<p>Our PSHE topic is 'Healthy Me'. In this, we will look at how to maintain healthy friendships, group dynamics, smoking, alcohol and how we can celebrate our own inner strength and assertiveness. A key part of our unit will be looking at how friendship groups are formed and how we can have many different types of friends, and it is okay to like different qualities about our friends.</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: Create a 'friendship recipe' about how you can maintain healthy friendships. Create an information leaflet about ways to be a 'healthy me'.</p>		
<p>RE</p>	<p>In RE, children will be learning about theme of Buddha's teachings by thinking about the key question, 'Could the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place?'. We will think about what makes life wonderful and how we can show compassion for people who suffer in life. A focus of the unit will be about changes and how we all experience different changes throughout our lives, and we will look at the Buddha's teachings around this.</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: Create a song/poem/story/art work about our wonderful world.</p>		
<p>PE</p>	<p>In PE, we will be completing a unit looking at throwing and catching skills. In this, we will focus on different throwing actions and looking at which are required for various outcomes. We will also work on our accuracy when striking with a bat or our hands. Through this, we will develop movement skills and body positions through different games.</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: Develop a 'how to' sheet for different types of throwing.</p>		
<p>French</p>	<p>Children will be able to recognise and recall the 9 weather expressions in French from memory. They will also be able to ask what the weather is today, and give a reply in French, whilst also learning to describe the weather in France, in French using a weather map with symbols.</p>	
<p>Project On a Page Idea: Create a weather video or poster in French.</p>		

Music	<p>We are very lucky this term in music because we have a teacher coming in to teach us flute every Monday. They will learn about how the instrument is to be played properly, reading music and playing as a group. They will also have the opportunity to bring the instrument home to continue their practise.</p>	
	<p>Project On a Page Idea: Compose a piece of music on the flute.</p>	
DT	<p>During DT week, Year 4 will be designing and making an iPad case. The unit focus is textiles and children will learn to choose and secure appropriate fastening designs, learning the advantages and disadvantages of each. They will learn how to join fabric by sewing.</p>	
	<p>Project On a Page Idea: Create a 'how to' video on how to make an iPad case. Find books and resources that could help you with your project.</p>	
History	<p>Our history topic is all about the Romans and the Roman impact on Britain. We will understand why the Romans settled in Britain and how this expanded the Roman Empire. Children will use timelines and sources to learn about Boudicca, Roman soldiers, life as a Roman and use this to build a picture of the impact the Romans had on our lives today. We also have a very exciting Roman out reach session to kick off our topic!</p>	
	<p>Project On a Page Idea: Roman research page/PowerPoint/video.</p>	