

Computing

The children will be continuing their computer science learning by revisiting a program they studied last year. We will use 'Scratch' to create Roman themed scenes with moving images, sounds and characters. The children will input and design their own data to create these moving pictures.

This topic incorporates many opportunities for research based sessions. During this time, we will discuss the importance of safety while completing independent research as well as understanding how search results are selected and ranked.



PE

We will be starting the term with multi-skills and gymnastics.

Please ensure that all earrings are removed before school on the PE days unless your child is confident to take out and put them in on their own.

PE days are Tuesdays and Fridays.

Warm clothing for outdoor PE is recommended when it gets colder. PE kits need to be in school on a Monday morning and will be sent home on a Friday.



Design and Technology

The children will explore many aspects of the design technology curriculum through a range of exciting topic areas during their time in Year 4. The introduction to this learning begins within our Roman topic.

The children will research the unique and inspirational designs of Roman architecture. They will work together to generate success criteria which will support them when making their own landmarks to show understanding of Italian style.

We will be supporting them to develop their skills of cutting, measuring, joining and strengthening materials. In this topic, this will all be explored with clay.

Planning will be a vital skill being developed as will their abilities to evaluate their learning at the end.



Dates for your diary

Roman Day

Thursday 16th September

Meet the Teacher

We will be sending you a welcome meeting by PowerPoint this year. Details to follow.



Romans on the Rampage **Y4 Curriculum**



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Romans on the Rampage



During the beginning of this topic, the children will experience a geographic theme revisiting their knowledge of the world map. They will focus on countries within Europe. The children will also learn about and study famous landmark buildings in Italy, with particular reference to their structure. They will draw and discuss this and then go onto make their own structures.

The children develop their historical enquiry skills and knowledge as they learn about **The Roman Empire** and the impact it still has on our lives today. The children will experience a Roman Day which will help bring this exciting topic to life! We will research, design and create our own Roman shields and learn how the Romans built a phenomenal Empire with their disciplined and organised approach. All aspects of our learning will be centred around our Roman theme, we hope you are looking forward to hearing all about it and sharing it with us at a Roman banquet towards the end of term.

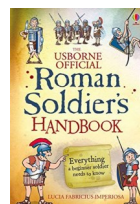
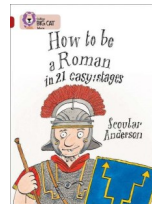
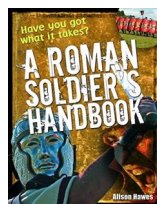


English

We will be enhancing our history learning by writing information pages about aspects of Roman Britain and Roman life.

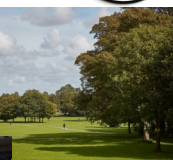
We will develop our writing 'toolkit' to include the features of an excellent non-fiction text, focusing on organising our ideas into paragraphs and using a range of subheadings to help signpost the reader.

We will also develop our reading retrieval skills during guided reading and when we carry out historical research.



History

Our history learning will be focused around judging the impact the Romans had on life in Britain today. We will research, ask questions and explore artefacts to help direct us to our final conclusion. Below are just many of the influences we still use today because of the Romans. By the end of this topic, your child will be able to tell you all about these pictures.



Home Learning will support the learning from the school week and will be given out every **Friday**. Sometimes this will be topic linked and other times will be maths based. Please help your child with this as much as possible and let us know of any difficulties. This is to be handed in on **the following Wednesday**. At times, when the task may require more time, we will provide an extra week to complete.

Reading continues to be an important part of your child's development in Year 4. Please encourage your child to read a little each day at home. This can be any book from school, home or library - whatever they enjoy. If your child prefers to read silently to themselves at home, please discuss the books with them to further their understanding and record any reading time at home in their reading record. We will be stamping and acknowledging your efforts at home on a Friday when the children will be given an opportunity to show their reading records and change their choice books. *(They will of course be able to do this more frequently if they need to.)*

Timestables We will be completing a timestables assessment in the next few weeks to give us an understanding of your child's timestable target. We will then be completing focused, daily practise on these targets. Please support us at home by rehearsing these with your child. Timestables Rockstars is a great resource to help practise these. The activities set on here will reflect your child's target.

