



Dear Parents / Guardians

Thank you for all of your effort and support at home and in school this term.

In the summer term our topic will be *'The Roaming Romans'*. As you can imagine, this topic will be themed around Italy and in particular Ancient Rome. As has been the case this year, there will be a number of cross curricular opportunities within our topics allowing the children to extend their learning in all subjects and show deeper understanding for example in our Art and DT lessons we will be making links to our topic by creating Roman mosaics.

In our History lessons we will be learning about Ancient Rome and some key periods, people and events. We will link our History work to our English lessons where children will have the opportunity to write recounts, poems and newspaper reports all linking to elements of Ancient Rome. Children will continue to take part in weekly spelling, handwriting and punctuation and grammar lessons. They will need to continue to focus on applying these skills across all of their writing. Reading comprehension lessons will continue to make links to our theme. Again it will be important that you continue to listen to and discuss what your child is reading at home as regularly as possible.

In Maths lessons we will be covering perimeter, length, angles, shape and symmetry in summer 1 and position, statistics and measurement in summer 2. Children will continue to develop their calculation abilities working on their mental arithmetic skills and formal written methods. There will be a big focus on application and in particular on solving 2 and 3 step words problems. The children have been working extremely hard to develop their times table skills over the spring term. Times tables remain key and we are aiming for all children, to know all times tables, from 1x to 12x by the end of the summer term. We will continue to practise times tables daily, please continue to support your child and look through their time table speed trials which will be completed and sent home on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays to see how they are getting on. Additionally please encourage your child to access Times Table Rockstars as often as possible. Children who have regularly accessed TTR this term have shown excellent progress and are now far more confident with their tables.

In Science lessons we will learn about animals including humans covering the importance of a healthy lifestyle and make links to this in our persuasive writing in English. In P.E. children will take part in striking and fielding and net wall games as well as preparing for sports day in our athletic lessons.

Children have developed their ability to use the internet to research in computing lessons and will continue to use these skills to develop their knowledge in lessons next term. Additionally, children will explore coding and programming using application such as Scratch.

French and Music lessons will be on Tuesday afternoons alongside computing as part of the key stage two rotations. Children will again have the opportunity to continue music lessons outside of school.

R.E. lessons will cover the topics *'For Christians, when Jesus left what was the impact on Pentecost?'* and *'How and why do people mark the significant events in their life?'* PSHE will address the needs of the class as they move through the year and continue to cover a number of topics which were raised by the children in the questionnaires they completed earlier this year.

The children have worked hard in year 4 this year and we have spoken about how it is very important that they continue to try their best over the summer term to ensure they achieve their full potential. The children have enjoyed this term's topic and are looking forward to learning about the *'Roaming Romans'*.

Enjoy the Easter break - eat lots of chocolate and fingers crossed for some sunshine!

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