

## Year 4 Newsletter Term 1



### Curriculum

This term, our key question is :How did the arrival of the Romans change Britain?

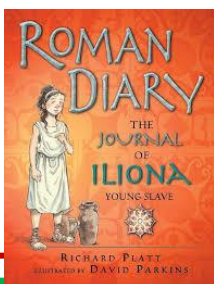
As a whole school we will be looking at a termly value. This term our value is Individuality.

In Science, we will be learning about electricity, different types of circuits, conductors and insulators.

This term our class text is *Roman Diary. The Journal of Iliona. A Young Slave*. A story about when Iliona is captured by pirates and sold as a slave to a Roman family, her world changes for ever. We will use our Whole Class Reading sessions to explore and analyse the text in detail. In writing we will be using an adventure story called *Bike Boy*, this will help us develop as writers.

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Maths sees us starting with place value and securing our knowledge to 10,000. Exploring how to partition and round to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. We move onto addition and subtraction before the end of the term. There is also a focus on learning the timetables up to 12 x 12.



### Key dates for your diary

- 4<sup>th</sup> September - Back to school
- 18<sup>th</sup> September - Midway Test
- 10<sup>th</sup> October - Roman Day
- 17<sup>th</sup> October - Film Night
- 18<sup>th</sup> October - End of Term
- 4<sup>th</sup> November - Term begins

### P.E./Games

PE kits must be worn into school on the days that you have PE. Earrings must be removed for all P.E, swimming and games lessons.

**P.E. days for Year 4 are as follows:**

Indoor PE - **Monday (Gymnastics)**

Outdoor PE - **Wednesday (Basketball)**

### Home Learning

#### **Spellings**

Spellings will be given out every other week.

Maths home learning will be set weekly on Sumdog. Please continue to practise your times tables on Times Table Rock Stars. Certificates will be awarded when a new rock status is achieved.

#### **Reading**

Please read daily and record this in your Reading Record. This can be your school reading book or your book from the 40 book challenge.

#### **Tea Time Talks**

3 questions will be sent home weekly for you to discuss on the previous week's learning. You can bring in anything related to this.

Reminder - Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are named.

## Leopard Class – Looking ahead.

We have been looking at what it was like to be a gladiator, we will be having a Roman day. For this activity, I am asking that the class make one of their toys into a **Roman Gladiator** to take part in gladiator training, school and a gladiator battle. We will also have a feast (details to follow later)

The class are also invited to dress as a roman gladiator, Emperor or a roman slave.

Some ideas to help you.

A yoghurt pot as a helmet, tin foil as the armour, string as sandals.

How creative can you be with cardboard?



Look forward to all of your efforts on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024 - Be ready for battle!