

## English

This term we will be writing in a range of genres, including narrative, biography and poetry. We will be starting with a narrative based on the book 'Escape from Pompeii'. Alongside our English lessons we will have daily VGP lessons, focusing on vocabulary, grammar and punctuation specific to our text type.

## History and Geography

Our topic this term are the Ancient Romans. We will use historic skills, such as interpreting primary and secondary sources to find out about life in Ancient Rome.

For geography, we will use map skills to locate Rome before comparing Roman and modern Britain on a map of the UK. We will learn about which cities in the UK were here during the Roman Empire.

We will also explore how Roman inventions have continued in life today.

We will have a Roman Day in school and there is potential for a school trip later this term.

## PE

Mr Spencer will be taking Year 4 for their PE lessons on a Thursday afternoon so please make sure children wear PE kits to school on this day. The focus for this term is athletics. **A reminder that children should be wearing appropriate kit – black/navy joggers/shorts and their house colour t shirt NOT branded tracksuits.**

## Year 4 Summer Term 2024

### What have the Romans done for us?

## Science

This half term our topic is changes of state and for the second half term the focus is electricity. The children will learn through a variety of interactive lessons which will include videos, practical investigations and experiments.



## Maths

In maths we will finish our learning on decimals before using this knowledge with money. We will also learn about time, geometry and statistics. We will have daily times tables practise ready for the multiplication check after half term. Alongside our maths lessons we will have daily arithmetic lessons which will have a focus on number, place value and the four operations.

## French

We will continue our topic 'Going shopping', learning lots of vocabulary and phrases. We will then learn about countries, continents and animals around the world.

## PSHE and RE

We will explore and discuss the importance of good mental health and encourage children to recognise their own emotions, as well as the importance of friendship and teamwork. We will also look at health and safety and briefly cover money and economics. RSHE will be taught during the second half of this term.

In RE, we will be learning about Christianity and the topic is the Kingdom of God.

## Homework

Spelling Shed will be up and running in the next few weeks. Each child will have a login to practise spellings we have been learning in school. There will be a check every few weeks with randomly selected words we have been learning.

**Children should be reading at home every night and reading records will be checked twice a week in school.**

**Children should practise times tables on Times Tables Rockstars weekly. Each child will have their own login.**

## Computing

We will be looking at programming. In particular, repetition in shapes and repetition in games.

## Art and DT

We will be studying the artist Jackson Pollock and creating our own abstract art using splatter techniques. After half term we will be doing DT and creating our own Roman mosaics using different materials, such as; paper and clay.