

Communication, Language and Literacy

In English we will be looking at the events that happened in Pompeii and writing our own disaster stories, poems that convey an image and write in a journalistic style using the events surrounding the assassination of Julius Caesar.

We will be practising our reading skills daily using a range of text extracts.

We will be speaking, reading and writing in French.

Problem Solving, Reasoning and Numeracy

In maths we will be following blocks from the new curriculum to develop our understanding of number and place value, counting, multiplication and division, comparing and ordering numbers, measurement, addition and subtraction, geometry, algebra, statistics and fractions.

We will be using a range of practical resources and maths pictures related to our theme of Italy and will have a new set of Maths Missions to investigate!

We will also generate and explore maths problems related to storybooks from our topic.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In RE we are looking at the Christian themes of Gospels and Salvation. In PHSE we are looking at Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me from the Jigsaw programme.



Italy

Dear Parents,

We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas holiday. For Spring term 2020, class 4 are looking at Italy. This topic map outlines some of the things we will be learning but we will also learn about things that the children express an interest in.

Children will have their new Home:School logs to record what they have worked on for their homework each week which is to include work on spellings, times tables and reading as well as a discussion of the homework questions for the week. Your support with this is essential. I shall also send home a copy of your child's calculation booklet, showing the methods they are using in school. Regular practice of these methods at home is encouraged as they will make a huge impact on your child's maths attainment, and with SATs tests fast approaching, will be of extra benefit. Additional topic homework of interest to your child is still encouraged and will be rewarded and displayed in class or in children's topic books. Please sign the record when you share reading with your child at home and also at the end of each week, and use it to communicate with school and also to read any messages from ourselves. Home: School logs and reading books are required in school on a daily basis.

After school maths club will begin this term and continue until SATs week.

The children are allowed named drinks bottles in class containing water or squash only. Please do not send children with reused disposable bottles.

Children have been provided with a named essential equipment. It is your child's responsibility to look after this equipment and if lost will need to be replaced.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions and we look forward to an exciting and successful term with you all.

Mrs Warwick

Physical Development

In PE we will be learning how to problem solve during our Outdoor and Adventurous activities sessions and improving our football skills.

We will also be creating a Roman dance to perform. PE will usually take place on a Wednesday and Friday. For these sessions children will need a full indoor and outdoor PE kit in school.

Creative Development

In music we will be exploring pitch.

In D&T we will look at the food of Italy and will design our own Italian inspired pizza and make it on our Café Track trip.

In art we are looking at the art of Modigliani and creating our own portraits and sculptures in his style.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

In history we will be finding out about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.

In geography we will investigate 'Extreme Earth' with a focus on volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis.

In computing we will be using the programmes Scratch and Inkscape to create artworks which link art and maths. These are both programmes that children can use for free at home. We will also be creating web pages about cyber safety using Google Drive.

In science we will be investigating forces using them to develop and test our own Roman weapons and finding out about the work of famous scientists and inventors including Stephen Hawking and Libbie Hyman.