

Year 3/4 Topic Overview- Autumn 1: Romans

English

In English we will be writing setting descriptions and stories inspired by 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit, a brilliant story about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius.

Maths

Both Years 3s and Year 4s will be beginning the term by covering place value and addition/subtraction. Year 3s will do this with 3 digit numbers while Year 4s move on to 4 digits.

Science

Our science unit this half term is animals including humans. We will be learning about the importance of a nutritious, balanced diet and about lots of the bones in the human skeleton.

History

In History, we will be learning all about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain. This will include:

- Understanding who Boudicca was and how she resisted the Roman invasion
- Learning about one of the famous Roman Emperors
- Understanding what the Romans brought to Britain and how it changed British society

RE

Our big questions is: What is worship? We will be looking at what worship means to different religious groups, including Sikhs, Muslims, Buddhists and the Ancient Romans.

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Computing

In computing we will be consolidating key skills of logging on, saving and opening folders. Then we will learn about how digital devices work and are connected.

PE

In PE, we will be developing a themed dance about Roman gladiators with strong movements. Outdoors, we will be practising ball skills including throwing and catching.

DT

We will be practising sewing skills including cross stitch and running stitch so that children can design and make their own embroidered bookmark.

Music

We will be listening to and appraising *Let Your Spirit Fly*, before learning to perform the song.

PSHE

Our PSHE units this half term are:

- Rights, Rules and Responsibilities - recognising the difference between wants and needs, understand why rules are needed and how they have responsibilities at home and at school
- E-Safety - understand the SMART rules for staying safe online, identifying risky situations online and knowing how to access help

Spanish

In Spanish the children will recap basic greetings, practise counting to 10 and beyond, and learn to say how old they are.