

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter



Autumn 1 2017

Welcome to year 4! We are pleased to welcome the children to this exciting year. Below is a brief outline of what your child will be learning in Year 4, across all the subjects this half term. We hope you will take the opportunity to read and discuss it with your child in order to support their learning at home.

Subject	
Literacy	Narrative genres – writing settings and descriptions in stories Diaries: Reading and writing – link to Roman topic and class text Recount: Reading and writing – link to Roman historical events Information reading and writing – leading to writing non chronological reports
Numeracy	Place value – understanding the number system and the value of digits/ordering and comparing skills. Rounding numbers, Roman numerals and negative numbers.
Science	Sound – The children will be learning how we hear sounds and looking at the ear and how it receives sounds. They will be thinking about how sound travels and what it can travel through as well as investigating pitch and volume.
Topic – History/geography	Romans Legacy in Europe –First we will investigate the geography of Europe. Then learn about the invasion of Britain; interpreting historical evidence, cause and effect and the Roman legacy. Finally, we will relate this back to the Roman Empire across Europe.
ICT	E-safety. Designing mosaics – Using a programme to recreate and design a mosaic.
RE	We will be learning about the concept of messages within the Christian faith.
PE	Outdoor PE – Net Wall games focusing on skills of sending, receiving and controlling a ball. Indoor PE – gymnastics – focusing on shape and balance.
Music	Our music this half term links to the Romans theme. We will learn songs related to the topic and use percussion instruments to accompany these, as well as composing our own songs about aspects of Roman life and creating Roman marching music.
Art / DT	First we will investigate figure drawing, focussing on techniques and body proportions. Then children will be designing and creating mosaics.
French	First we will have a general introduction to France. We will then be learning greetings in conversations, followed by family words.

PE/Games Days:

4C – Monday – indoors; Wed – outdoor

4K – Wed – outdoor; Fri - indoors