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Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year!

Welcome to the Spring Term and our topic 'What Did The Romans Do For Us?'

The children have already experienced Roman life from the past through our VR experience day which took place during the first week back. This proved to be an exciting and informative start to the children's cross curricular approach to learning.

We will be looking at the geography of the Roman Empire, the introduction of Christianity, the invasions, Hadrian's Wall, Roman baths and mosaic artwork.

We will be investigating light and shadow, including reflection, mirrors, shadows and sun safety in our science activities. The data that will be collected will call upon the children's maths skills.

The children will be taking part in a range of PE activities which will be based both indoors and outdoors, so please supply a kit that is suitable for both.

Our PSHE, including British Values is as usual threaded throughout the curriculum, including democracy and rules, which were embedded during Roman rule. We will look at relationships and healthy and safer lifestyles.

All of the children enjoyed learning the ukulele last term. Their music development will continue this term, supported by the school's music scheme.

Maths will include number work (multiplication, division, fractions) and measurement and will incorporate computing programming skills. Please continue to support your child's times tables homework. The children are using their learnt skills to support their learning in many mathematical problem solving situations. Experiencing real-life maths will help your child to understand how maths knowledge is useful for everyday use.

Please assist with developing your child's reading skills by supporting them with *understanding* the content of their books and using questioning as a means of assessing their understanding.



Last term's topic homework was popular with the children. Therefore, the Spring homework will be set at the beginning of the term again. There will be a selection of tasks requiring different skills from across the curriculum. This allows the children time to produce work of high quality. On completion, your child can present their work to the class.

We are working very hard with improving our spellings and the children are demonstrating strategies that can help them. During reading sessions with your child, it will benefit their progress if you can assist them with both reading and explaining the definitions of new vocabulary.

Coming up - The school will be holding a science week starting 21st January, followed by a science assembly on 1st February. Book Week ends with a dress-up assembly on 18th January, when children can dress up as their favourite book character. On 13th February, the library services are visiting our class to support our 'Roman' learning. Parent's evenings will be held during the week beginning 25th February.

If you would like to come into school to support our children, you will be very welcome. Please let us know. For example, sharing a reading book, cooking or art and craft activities.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs.Kettel