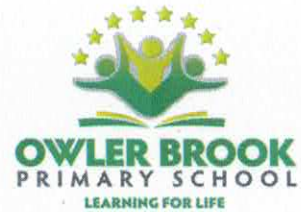




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Year 4 Newsletter

September 2018

Term 1.1 How were the Romans Powerful?

Welcome to Year 4! This half term your child will be introduced to the topic of the Romans. They will enjoy a wonderful visit from the History Van which will include dressing up in Roman clothes, making Roman coins, learning Roman army formations and much more! Mrs Mellow's Literacy group will be writing an information text about Roman inventions. This will include building a giant, working model of an aqueduct. Mrs Peterson's Literacy group will be planning and writing about their own Roman fashion show. In history, the children will also be learning about: the buildings of the Roman Forum, the Roman invasion of Britain, Boudicca, and Roman gods and goddesses. We will be linking this with the work we will be doing in geography about the capitals and continents of Europe.

Extra Curricular Activities

This year, we will be learning the cornet! Every child in year 4 will be able to learn this instrument on a Monday morning. In lessons, they will learn about pitch, rhythm and beat and how to read simple musical notes this year.

Ideas for helping at home

Learning Logs

From week 2, we will be sending out learning logs each week every Friday. Homework is due back in the following Wednesday. Each week we will rotate the homework between literacy and maths.

Spellings are also sent out weekly to practise on a Tuesday, they are due back in on Friday ready for the spelling test.

Reading

Children have a wide range of books in class for them to take home and read with an adult. Children should now be reading for understanding, so it would be beneficial for them to read with an adult who can ask them questions to check their comprehension as they go along.

Maths

Children need to know all of their times tables (up to 12) by the end of year 4 so we are encouraging children to learn them at home as well as in school. They will be tested on which ones they know and can earn bands when they have learnt a new one. We will send home times tables grids to aid their practise at home.

Dates for your diary

September

12th- Class 13 library visit

13th- Roald Dahl day

14th- 100% attendance trip

14th- Class 14 library visit

20th- History Van day

October

17th-18th- Parent's evenings

November

5th- INSET DAY



P.E. Kits

Class 13 will need indoor and outdoor PE kit every Monday.

Children are asked to include shorts or leggings, a T-shirt, a jumper for outdoor and suitable footwear.

Class 14 will need swimming kit every Monday.

They will need to bring a swimwear, a towel and a bag with their name written inside of it.

NO JEWELLERY TO BE WORN ON P.E. DAYS.

Library

Children will visit Firth Park Library once a term. If they have signed up for a library card, they can take out a book.

Children can visit the library in their own time as well. If they borrow a book their earn a stamp, which lead to prizes.

In addition, your child can bring home a level appropriate book, to enhance their reading skills. Please complete the Reading Record book together