



COPLEY JUNIOR SCHOOL



Y4 CURRICULUM LEAFLET



I Am Warrior!

SPRING TERM 2019

Engage

I Am Warrior!

I am warrior! I am strong, brave and powerful. Meet me in battle. Draw your sword, wield your axe and challenge me if you dare! Invade and attack, Romans versus the Celts, the fight is on...

Discover warrior Britain: meet Claudius, Boudicca and Julius Caesar, and discover all about the Romans and how they changed our country.

Get ready for Gladiator School and learn alongside Spartacus and Spiculus: brave soldiers of the Roman Colosseum.

When all the battling makes you hungry, relax, lie back and feast yourself on dormice and grapes, or perhaps a roasted swan sprinkled with nuts?

To support our work, Year 4 will have a Roman day provided by the museum staff from Murton Park. One or two people from the museum will be leading a full day of exciting activities. The day will begin with a themed presentation which will revolve around an interactive talk, illustrated with a wide range of authentic artefacts. Following this, there will be a number of hands on craft and object handling activities for the children to participate in.

In **English**, we will write a soliloquy as a Roman soldier or Celtic warrior, revealing our innermost thoughts and feelings before battle.

In **History**, we will be looking at significant dates, organising a timeline showing the chronology of the Roman Empire.

In **Geography**, we will be making sketch maps showing Celtic hill forts and ancient ruins.

Develop

In **English**, as we learn more about the Roman Empire, we will be writing diaries and learning about the British Celtic warrior, Boudicca.



In **Art and Design**, we will look at a variety of images of Boudicca and explore the different ways that artists have chosen to represent her. Also, as a class, we will develop our very own Roman mosaic on a theme of the class' choice.



Innovate

Join Up!



Friends, Romans, Countrymen, lend me your ears...

I, Claudius, Emperor of Rome and General of the Roman army, seek noble and honourable warriors to come and fight to conquer the Britons, our uncivilised foes. I demand you be faithful to me, loyal and brave to battle across Britannia, that wet and windy land.

Join our legions, footmen and cavalry with Pugio and Gladius, to invade and conquer.

Nos ire ad Victoriam!

Express Event

Celebrate our work!

Come and join us on Thursday 14th March at 2:45pm, to celebrate all of the marvellous work the children have done and learn a thing or two about Romans and Celts!

We will also be studying...

P.E. - will include gymnastics, with a focus on transferring and receiving body weight, and invasion games. Children should bring their P.E. kit to school on a Monday and take it home on Friday.

ICT - We will use the internet to find and collect information and images all about the Romans in order to create an information page.

R.E. - We will be learning about key aspects of the Sikh faith and then finding out about different aspects of Judaism.

Mathematics - Children will work on multiplication of 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers using the vertical algorithm method; identification of lines of symmetry, acute and obtuse angles and comparing shapes and calculating perimeter and area.

English - Children will learn about soliloquies, diaries and commentaries, as well as taking part in grammar lessons, guided reading and weekly spelling tests.

Supporting your child at home...

Reading - Children should be reading at home at least 4 times a week. Please listen to your child read and regularly discuss their reading with them. Encourage them to ask for the meaning of new vocabulary and, during the reading, pose a variety of searching questions about the text and the characters. Please sign your child's reading record and ensure that they bring their reading book and their reading record to school every day.

- **Spelling** - Spellings will be given each week on Wednesday. The children will have one week to practise their spellings before being tested the following Wednesday. Spellings will usually focus on specific spelling rules. Please discuss the rule with your child and encourage them to find out the meaning of the word if they are unsure. We also ask that you sign their spelling practice sheet.

Maths - Homework should be completed using pencil in the Maths Home Learning Book. All children need to know their times tables up to 12x12 and they should learn the associated division facts. The children have their own Times Tables Rockstars log in details and can play the single or multi-user games as often as they like. Please help your child to tell the time, using both analogue and digital clocks. (Encourage your child to work independently, using the strategies taught in class.) Please contact your child's maths teacher if your child encounters difficulties completing homework.

English/Cornerstones - English work will be recorded and completed in their English Home Learning Book. Please encourage high standards of content and presentation.

We greatly appreciate your support!
Please do not hesitate to contact us
if you have any questions...
**Miss Tierney, Miss Passant and
Miss Mellor**