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Year 3/4 Spring Term Curriculum Update
January 2019

It is lovely to welcome the children back after Christmas and to witness them full of enthusiasm and energy for this terms learning. I hope you all had a lovely break with them and thank you for all the kind messages received before the holidays. We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for this half term and I am sure the children will relish in the challenge and creativity they present.

Our exciting topics this term include learning about volcanoes and earthquakes for the first half term. Then linking to Pompeii, in Spring 2 we will be considering 'what did the Romans ever do for us?' During which the children will make their very own shields and re-enact a Roman battle!



Treehouse Theatre Company – Tuesday 5th March:

As part of this terms learning we are very excited to welcome Treehouse Theatre company into school who will be working with the children for the day on the 5th March to produce a 'play in a day' for them and their peers to enjoy.

As part of this day we would love the children to come to school dressed in Roman period costume, either a toga or a stola, please ask if you require any advice.

Home Learning:

We would love the children to really understand Roman dress, therefore for their Home Learning this term we would like the children to complete some research on what the Romans wore and present their findings, no larger than A3 size, however they choose.

Please can these projects be brought into school between the 1st and 8th March.

In addition within the topic the children will have the opportunity to make a mosaic ceramic tile as seen in traditional Roman villas. To cover the cost of these activities we are asking for a voluntary donation of **£4.50** (£3.50 for the Theatre Company and £1.00 for the craft materials). May I remind you that the school does receive funding for any families eligible for Pupil Premium, so the cost for these pupils will be paid for from this funding. Please complete and return the permission slip attached by Tuesday 12th February.

Exit Point: Monday 1st April 2.30pm:

As a finale to this exciting and engaging topic we would like you to come and share in the children's learning and enjoy a simple performance of 'The Romans' on **Monday 1st April at 2:30pm**, please note change of date from previously advertised Exit Point.

Year 4 Swimming:

Finally, Year 4 swimming starts the week commencing the 25th February with Mrs Mayall's Learning Group going once weekly on Friday afternoons for 6 weeks, and Mrs Graves group going after Easter, a separate letter will follow with further details.

Thank you for your continued support.

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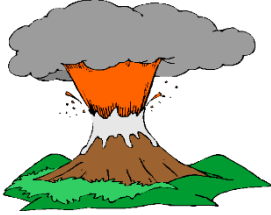



Key Dates

Roman Theatre day: Tuesday 5th March (period dress)

Exit Point: Monday 1st April 2:30pm **CHANGE OF DATE**

Parents Evenings: Tuesday 2nd April and Wednesday 3rd April: 3:30 – 6:30pm

<p>English In both Years 3 and 4 this half term the children will be looking at topic related texts; including Escape From Pompeii and they will be writing their own narratives based on the theme of volcanoes and earthquakes. In addition year 3 will continue to look at their use of vocabulary to ensure it is exciting and that it engages the reader. Whilst year 4 will look at persuasive writing in different media.</p>	<p>Maths The maths topics for both year 3 and 4 this half term will begin by looking at written methods for multiplication and division. Following this year 4 will look at area, fractions and decimals. Year 3 will focus on statistics, length and fractions. Full details of these areas can be found on our Calculation Policy on the School's website. The children should also continue to be working on their times tables at home through the use of ttrackstars.com</p>	
<p>PE Our indoor PE continues to be on Thursday and our outdoor games is on Tuesdays for Year 4 and Wednesday for Year 3. Please can you ensure that your child has his/ her PE kit in school on appropriate days (including warmer outdoor layers for colder weather, a hair band to tie up long hair and no jewellery).</p>	<p>RE This term in RE the children will be exploring the Gospel of Matthew and how we spread the good news of Jesus. After half term we will be looking at incarnation in the lead up to Easter.</p>	<p>Art In Spring 1 the children will create their own Godfrey volcano art, using paint and collage. Then in Spring 2 the children will be creating mosaic patterns linked to symmetry. They will also be designing and making a Roman shield in preparation for the re-enactment of a battle.</p>
<p>Computing The children will continue to work with a variety of equipment to enhance their digital literacy skills and be learning how technology can help them to present their learning in different ways. In addition the children will look at being safe online around Safer Internet Day on the 5th February.</p>	<p>French Continuing with our 'Language Angel's programme, Year 3/4 will be studying vocabulary linked to our History topic- 'Les Romains', and naming the days of the week and months of the year.</p>	<p>PSHCE As we start the New Year, our Jigsaw programme this term will focus on 'Dreams and Goals' (Spring 1) and 'Healthy Me' (Spring 2)</p>
	<p>Science During the term in Science will be investigating rocks and soils – this will link nicely with the topic work on volcanoes and will give the children time to compare and group together different kinds of rocks as well as relate the simple properties of some rocks to their formation (igneous or sedimentary). They will also be exploring how fossils are formed by making their own model fossils.</p> 	



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Treehouse Theatre Company & Mosaic Ceramic Tile

Tuesday 5th March

Please return to the School Office **by Tuesday 12th February.**

Name Class

I give permission for my child to take part

I enclose **£4.50**

Medical Information:

Any updated/additional medical information

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Signed Date

