

Year 3 Spring Term 2 This term our theme is: 'Ruling Romans'

Brief Synopsis of Theme

Our theme will continue to be the Romans. We will continue learning about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age and the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain including Boudicca and the Roman Legacy.

Strong Link to Theme

In **History**, we will learn about the Roman Empire and British resistance including Boudicca. We will have a focus on what the Romans have done for us, such as creating roads. We will be writing a news report on the eruption of Vesuvius and the impact on Pompeii. In **Geography** we will learn about the physical geography of our local area.

In **DT** we will be making volcanoes out of paper mache and erupting them!

In **Art**, we will be listening to the classical music of Gustav Holst, which is titled after the Roman Gods. We will then use oil pastels to create abstract pieces of work, showing how the music made us feel.



Special events/ visits/ visitors/ special outcomes.

World book day Thursday 7th March. Remember to dress up as your favourite book character!
Visit to Colchester Castle Friday 1st March.

Literacy Links.

In **English** we will also be looking at a range of non-fiction texts, including newspapers and news reports. We will also look at a range of Roman myths.

We will also be writing a newspaper report about the devastating effects of the volcanic eruption on Pompeii, with a focus on using conjunctions and adverbs.

Numeracy Links

In **Maths** we will revisit multiplication and division. We will also look at measuring temperature and this will link with our geography. We will continue to reinforce our times table knowledge by using times table rock stars.

Discrete / unlinked subjects

In **French**, we will be learning the names of parts of the body and how to sing 'heads, shoulder, knees and toes.'

In **Music** we will be continuing to learn how to play the recorder with Mrs Snoxall. In **Computing** we will become reporters. We will be using Ipads to film our news reports of our volcanoes erupting. We will then edit these before showing them to another year group. In

RE we will be learning about Buddhism, their stories and their festivals. In **PSHE** we will be learning about diversity and community. In

PE we will be doing Hockey and tag rugby as our Intra Sport activity. We will develop the skills needed for hockey during our weekly sessions. In **Science** we will be looking at forces and magnets.

Requests or Reminders to Parents.

Please ensure that your child has indoor and outdoor PE kit in school each week, especially trainers and outdoor warm joggers and a top. Don't forget a water bottle and healthy fruit or vegetable snack each day as well.

What parents can do at home to support.

Hear your child read for 10 minutes at least 5 times a week. Spellings will be given each Friday and tested the following Friday. Maths will also be given along with some support materials for your child to practise the skill they have been covering in class. Please can you remind your children to bring their Home School book, reading book and spelling book into school every day. Please encourage your child to change their library book each week in their allocated session which is Thursday lunchtime.