

Maths

During term 1 and 2 we will be focusing on:

- Number and place value including partitioning
- Consolidating our understanding of addition and subtraction and improving our written and mental methods.

- Securing our multiplication and division knowledge.

We will be helping children develop their mathematical reasoning skills by encouraging them to think deeper and ask WHY.

We will also be continuing BAT (Bonds and tables) lessons in which we will be improving our quick recall of number bonds and times table facts.



'Romans' Year 3 Autumn Terms 1 & 2 2016



General Information

Homework will be given out on a Thursday, to be given in the following Tuesday. This will be alternate weeks of English and Maths homework.

Spellings- Children will be taught a spelling rule on Mondays and will be expected to investigate it and collect words for classroom display. The spelling rule will be assessed through dictation on Mondays.

Reading books will be changed every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Children need to hand in their book to be changed. Please continue to read regularly with them, at least three times a week.

In Year 3, children will be expected to hand in their diaries if there is a note. We will not collect them in every day.

Miss Swan and Miss Perkins

English

We are beginning the term by studying a poem called 'The Lion' by Roald Dahl. Our fiction units this term are a finding tale set in Roman times called 'The Golden Clasp' and a warning tale called 'Trouble on Mount Lunaus'. Our non-fiction texts will be a recount and a non-chronological report.

Children will read regularly in class as part of guided reading and be expected to answer questions on the text.

We will also be beginning SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) lessons which will replace letters and sounds.

Dates for your diary

House Bake off competition- 26th September

Pine class assembly- 28th Sept

Roman dress up day- 6th Oct

Harvest assembly- 18th Oct
2.15pm

End of term 1- 19th Oct

Start of term 2- 1st Nov

Parent consultations- 2nd & 3rd Nov

Roman trip (letter to follow)- 23rd Nov

Fir class assembly- 30th Nov

End of term 2- 20th Dec

History

We will be exploring Roman Britain. We will learn about why the Romans came to Britain, the resistance to Roman rule by studying Queen Boudicca and her rebellion. We will compare Roman life with our modern life by learning about Roman entertainment, food and homes. We also have a Geography link, learning about volcanoes, when we look at the city of Pompeii and Herculaneum.

Art/DI

We will be studying Roman pots. We will be using our observational skills to sketch. Then we will plan and make our own out of clay. After half term, we will design and make a Roman shield to use on our Roman day.

PE/Games

Indoor PE will be on a Wednesday, which will be gymnastics. Outdoor PE will be on Monday, which will be Netball based skills. After half term, we will be covering Rugby based skills. Please ensure children have named kit for these days.

Science

Our question for this term is 'What do rocks tell us about how the Earth was formed?' During this we will observe different types of rocks and soils. We will learn about metamorphic, sedimentary and igneous rocks are formed. We will carry out investigations, improving our ability to plan, experiment and evaluate.

Computing

We are looking at E-Safety as a class. We will look at how to be safe online, keeping personal information safe and discussing rules over using the internet. We will also be setting up a class blog!

PSHE

Our SEAL theme this term is 'New beginnings', we will be discussing rules and expectations of year 3. We will also think about how to be effective learners.

RE

Mrs Baxter and Mrs Morrish will be taking Year 3 for RE this year. They will be learning about harvest in the first term, followed by the Christmas story in the second term.