

# Year 4 – Spring 2



## Literacy

**Poems that create imagery:** Children will learn about similes, metaphors, personification and alliteration and will use these to write their own poem based on the Romans.

**Explanation texts:** Children will read and respond to a range of explanation texts. They will become familiar with the appropriate features of this type of text and use these features to create an explanation text on Roman events.

## Science

**Electricity:** Pupils should construct simple series circuits, trying different components, for example, bulbs, buzzers and motors, and including switches, and use their circuits to create simple devices. Pupils should draw the circuit as a pictorial representation. They will revise the importance of electrical safety.

## PE

**Cricket:** Children will develop their batting and fielding skills throughout this topic. They will also practise how to bowl and play competitive games of cricket.

**Gymnastics: Bridges:** Children will develop their awareness of movement and will form sequences. They will re-create bridge balances on apparatus.

## PSHE

Weekly statements to live by during whole school collective worships.

Weekly PHSE session in class.

## History

**The Roman impact on Britain:** Children will learn about how the Roman invasion of Britain has affected us. They will learn about how the Roman's influenced their local area, including looking in depth at Hadrian's Wall.

## Computing

**3D Design:** Children will learn the basics of 3D modelling software Sketchup and then put their skills to the test by designing Roman buildings.

## French

**French weather and the water cycle:** Children will understand how to convey the weather in French and will be able to give directions. They will also learn about the water cycle and be able to discuss this in French.

## At Home

- Please complete all homework and return to school each Friday morning.
- Help your child practise their weekly spellings and times table facts.
- Continue to read with your child at home.

## Numeracy

Children will continue to develop their understanding of multiplication and division. They will develop their understanding by learning how to multiply and divide two and three digit numbers effectively using a formal written method. Children will use this knowledge to solve more complex multiplication and division word problems. They will also begin to understand length and perimeter and will be able to calculate the perimeter of rectilinear shapes and polygons. There will be weekly revision of times tables facts in preparation for the Multiplication Table Check in June.

## RE

**Eucharist:** (Sacramental Preparation Module) Celebrating The Mass - What do Catholics Do?

**Lent/Easter:** Through the study of self discipline children will learn about the growth to new life.

## Art, Design and Technology

**Mechanical systems: Making a slingshot car:** Children will design an accurate and functioning car chassis. They will trial their car and make improvements based on their findings.

## Music

Children will complete the Charanga unit 'Lean on Me' based on the soul/gospel Song by Bill Withers