

Spring Term

Y3/4 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents,
Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break and we are all looking forward to fresh topics and new learning during the Spring term.

Topic Work: The Romans

During this topic we will be finding out about The Romans. As part of our learning we will explore when the Romans invaded, where they settled, their daily life and beliefs and also the impact that the Roman way of life has had on our lives today. We look forward to creating Roman settlements and visiting a Roman museum in Chester.

Science: What is the journey of food?

This term we will explore the human digestion system starting from the mouth with our teeth and gums. We will then move on to explore the journey of food as it travels down into our stomach. We will also find out about animal food chains and develop our understanding of predators and prey.

PE: Gymnastics

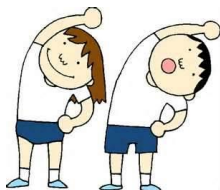
Swallows –Wednesday/Thursday

Woodpeckers – Tuesday / Friday

Starlings– Wednesday/Thursday

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school at all times.

This includes shorts, t-shirt, suitable footwear and a tracksuit for colder weather.



RE: How does the Indus Civilisation’s beliefs compare to present day? Who is Jewish and what do they believe?

RE this term will include finding out about the Indus Civilisation and their beliefs, moving on to then compare these to the modern day. We will then move on to learn about the Jewish religion. We will look at the life of a Jewish child, how and where they worship and visit a Jewish Synagogue to develop our learning further.

PSHE: How do we grow and change?

This half term, children in Year 3 and Year 4 will be learning about how we grow and change. We will talk about looking after ourselves and managing our feelings and friendships.

Music:

This term we will learn to play the Glockenspiel. We will learn the different notes and play short pieces of music on our instruments.



Computing: Computer Science/Information Technology

This term we are moving on to learning about Computer Science as part of our Computing lessons. Computer Science is all about instructions and coding. We will be using a programme called Scratch to draw shapes and images by inputting instructions.



Art:

This half-term the main focus of our learning is Roman Mosaics. We will use repeating patterns and bright colours to create mosaic tiles that link to our Roman unit of work.

Please ensure your child is always fully prepared for the school day with their school bag, PE kit, reading record & reading book, homework and anything else they may have been asked to bring in.



Home learning:

- Read at home for 15-20 minutes every day.
- Practice spellings (test on a Friday)
- Times tables - test on a Friday
- Join in with the half termly project work. Every child should complete at least 1 piece of work from the topic web.



Home reading: Please ensure that your child reads 4 times a week and their home reading diary is signed by an adult before it is handed in on a Friday morning.

Reading Challenge

4 times = Green 2/3 times = Yellow 0/1 time= Red
If your child achieves green for the week, they will be entered into a special prize draw!

Our School Blog

Please check our school blog regularly. There are lots of photographs of what we have been up to in school and of special events. We also put homework up on there too. If you have a problem logging in, please let one of the Y3 /4 team know and we can resolve the problem as soon as we can. It would be great to see some comments being added to the blogs as this is something the children enjoy reading and gives them further pride in their accomplishments.

