

English

This term we will be focusing upon the picture book *Escape from Pompeii* by Christina Balit which links to our topic. The children will learn how to write a newspaper article, improve their vocabulary and punctuate direct speech. We will also continue to improve our abilities to write exciting plots. We will then move onto letter writing and discussion texts based on the Roman invasion.

Music

The children will be looking at the different music they had during the Roman period. We will also be looking at the song of Boudicca and playing some percussion instruments.

P.E.

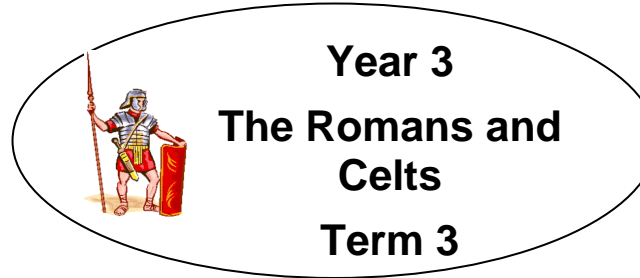
Class 7 and 8 will have their usual P.E lessons each week (Class 7 on a Tuesday and Class 8 on a Thursday). The children will continue to swim on a Wednesday until half-term and will learn how to play hockey.

DT

Linked to our Romans topic, the children will investigate, design, make and evaluate their own Roman helmets.

Information Communication Technology

In ICT, the children will learn how to use Kodu Game Lab to programme and decode. They will also learn how to collect data and create art pieces in the style of an artist on PurpleMash.com. During E-safety lessons we will be discussing downloading and teaching the children about protecting their devices.



Year 3

**The Romans and
Celts**

Term 3

Science

This term the children will be looking at 'Magnets and Forces'. We will be investigating different pushes and pulls and testing how magnets attract and repel. We will be conducting an experiment to find out which materials are magnetic.

PSHE

Our focus this term is Dreams and Goals. This will include setting New Year's resolutions, overcoming challenges and coping with disappointment. The children will learn to evaluate their own learning and identify what they have done well and how they can improve next time.

Maths

In numeracy we will be learning how to use formal written methods of addition and subtraction (e.g. $342+163$ using columns). Measure will also be taught this term where the children will learn about height, width, length, volume and capacity.

Throughout the term we will be recapping multiplication and division on a number line, recognising and solving fraction problems and telling the time.

Our times tables focus this term is X4.

History

During our Roman and Celts topic, children will be learning about what it means to be an invader or settler and what life was like as a Roman soldier. Year 3 will be having a Roman day on January 8th where we have guest visitors from 'Portals to the Past' coming into school.

French

We will continue to teach the children French each week. The children will learn the French words for colours, animals and movement (e.g How a rabbit would move)

RE

Christianity will be explored and we will be focusing on the Bible stories and Miracles.

Reminders

In Year 3, we expect the children to read at least five times every week at home. Signed Reading records need to be brought in every Monday for Class 7 and Friday for Class 8. The children will still need to learn their weekly spellings and times tables which we will continue to test on a Friday.