

## **Class 4 Summer Term 2016**

The topic for the summer term will be 'The Roman Empire. We will be using this topic in Geography, History, Art, Design and Technology and Science.

In Art we will be creating and sculpting things including a Roman shield, a defensive wall and a Roman house. We will also be cooking some savoury dishes (e.g soda bread, funny-face pizzas, bean burgers and soup) as part of the Design Technology curriculum. Science will involve: classifying living things, learning about the digestive system and teeth, and food chains.

In addition, we will study the sacred writings of Sikhism, Hinduism and Christianity in Religious Education. We will develop our skills and tactics in team games (rounders, tennis and cricket). In PSHE, we will be covering the topics 'relationships' and 'changes'. French will involve learning new high frequency vocabulary and developing our speaking and listening skills in the language. We will be learning about data storage, operating systems, computer networks and word processing software in Computing. Finally, in music we will be trying to compose and improve pieces of music.

As always, our Literacy work will involve fiction (stories with humour, stories from other cultures and fantasy), non-fiction (persuasive writing, information texts and non-chronological reports) and poetry (nonsense poems, off by heart and odes and insults). These will allow us to examine and recreate different styles and devices of writing.

In Maths, we will be furthering our place value and number work by using more negative numbers, fractions and decimals. Furthermore, we will be introducing; Roman Numerals (to tie in with our topic and its inclusion on the new curriculum), angles, and rate.

As part of the schools ongoing 'Learning Muscles' program, we will be targeting the use of one of our learning muscles each day. In case you have forgotten, the learning muscles are; Resilience, Resourcefulness, Reciprocity and Reflectiveness.