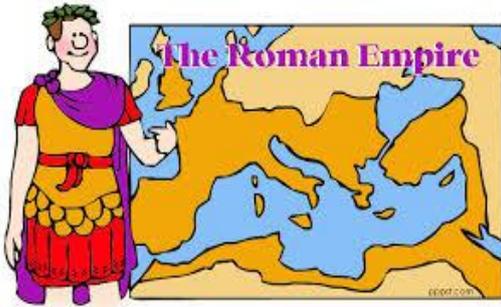


Year 4

Autumn Term 2

2015-2016

**Homework**

Given out each Friday and to be returned on or before the following Wednesday.

**Reading**

Children should read every day at home, and their reading record should be signed by an adult.

**Spellings**

Words to learn will be given out every Friday with homework and tested the following

**PE kit**

PE kits need to be in school every Monday and will be sent home on Mondays. PE is on **Monday**. Children will also have a swimming lesson on **Thursday** and will need their swimming kit in school that day. Please make sure they have a swimming hat!

**Important Dates**

**KS2 Trip to the Unicorn Theatre**  
Thursday 10th December 2015

**You are invited...**

To a performance of the story of  
of  
'Rama & Sita' on  
**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015.**

There will be more details to follow, but please put this date in your diary!

This term our learning will be based around the theme of  
**'The Roman Empire'**

Children will learn about the following...

**Maths:** Children will subtract 3 and 4 digit numbers using the column method, including borrowing from the tens or hundreds. Children will use multiplication facts to solve divisions with remainders. They will use these methods to solve problems.

**English:** Children will study the story of Rama and Sita and turn it into a play script. They will work with Year 3 to perform the play to an audience. Children will use a variety of sources to gather information about the Romans and then write a non-fiction text.

**Science:** Children will learn about rocks, including how the different types of rocks are formed and how fossils give us vital information about the past.

**Geography:** Children will learn about how towns and cities developed from settlements. They will also focus on important trade routes that helped the Roman Empire.

**History:** Children will learn about the Roman Empire, how it grew and the British resistance. In particular they will focus on Boudica.

**Art/DT:** In Art lessons children will be using collage techniques to make a Roman mosaic. In DT they will design and make a personalised shield.

**PE:** Gym sequences

**RE:** How and why do Hindus celebrate Diwali?

**Computing:** Computational thinking

**Music:** 'Five Gold Rings'

**Spanish:** Classroom instructions, Christmas greetings

**PSHE and Citizenship:** Friendship

**You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:**

- Daily reading practice with your child
- Daily reading **to** your child (in any language!)
- Daily handwriting practice
- Daily spelling practice
- Practising times table facts and division facts daily
- Supporting your child in becoming more independent in getting organised for school

**We are looking forward to lots of exciting learning and events in the term ahead!**  
**Mrs Purves and the Year 4 team**