

YEAR 3 TERM 5 SECRETS OF THE PAST

Our journey through ancient history continues. The Romans are coming! We find out more about how the fierce warriors, the Celts, dealt with the arrival of Italians. We also discuss the question of why Emperor Claudius wanted to leave sunny Italy and invade Britain; such a cold, bleak country on the edge of the Roman Empire? Having learnt about the reasons for the Roman invasion, we will put Boudicca under the spotlight and then investigate what life would have been like in Britain after the Roman conquest. We will finish our topic by taking a close look at the Roman legacy and the reasons for the decline of the Roman Empire.

We encourage an enquiry-based approach to our topic which involves the children in plenty of discussion; formulating questions, analysing historical evidence and considering the reliability of sources. We hope that, by exploring, evaluating and reflecting on their learning, the children will develop their historical understanding through their own activity rather than just being taught facts. To encourage this approach, it would be great if you could encourage lots of conversation and discussion at home. We are sure you will learn a lot as the children are mines of information and have become very confident about articulating their opinions!

History Day

To celebrate our journey through Britain from the Stone Age to the invasion of the Romans, we will be having a History Day towards the end of term. During the day, the children will participate in a series of different historical activities linked to our learning over terms 4 and 5. We will all be dressing up so the children can come to school that day dressed from any period of history we have covered from Palaeolithic to Roman.



Times Tables Final Push

Please support your child to practise their tables at home. It's crucial for their progression in maths. By the end of Year 3, they should know their 2s, 5s, 10s, 3s, 4s and 8s.



English -this term will be linked to our topic: we will be exploring traditional myths and legends, using Celtic and Roman myths as a stimulus for writing as well as polishing our Year 3 grammar and punctuation skills.

Maths -we will begin the term learning about Fractions and then move on to learning more about Time.

ART We have some fabulous art activities planned, including creating mosaics, as well as looking at the architecture of the Roman Empire. We are really looking forward to sharing your child's learning in this term.

DT We will be putting on our designing hats to produce a well made and functional money pouch.

PE - Athletics and Striking and fielding.

Computing -this term will be focused on animation and basic coding.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 29th April - Roman soldier visit.

History day to be advised.

As always, if there is anything you would like to discuss, do not hesitate to email us through the office.

Here's to a fantastic 5th term!

The Year 3 Team