

## Important Information

### **CAT Day**

Year 4 CAT Day is held on a Tuesday, once a fortnight. Children will take part in a drama, art and outdoor learning session. Therefore all children should wear clothes suitable for creative activities and ones which allow the children to move easily.

### **Book Bags**

Please remind your child to bring their book bag to school every day. Within their book bag they should have their reading book and reading record book. If your child does not have a book bag they are available to purchase in the school office.

### **Homework**

In Year 4, we expect children to complete the following homework daily:

- Read their reading book to an adult or older sibling. Please sign your child's reading record book and where possible, make a comment about their reading. We are trying to make our Year 4s do this independently but they will still need (and we welcome) your support.
- Practise counting in multiples of a number and lead on to recalling their multiplication and division facts rapidly. Children should know their times tables (multiplication and division facts) up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4. We recommend the children are allowed some time every week to play Times Table Rock Stars: <https://trockstars.com/>
- Learn their spellings and their meanings ready for their spelling test on Friday.

Your children will be set a piece of mathematics and a piece of English homework each week on Google Classroom. This will consolidate and extend the skills taught during that week. Homework will be set on a Friday and must be returned by the end of the following week. We encourage your child to complete their homework to support them in their learning. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any comments regarding the homework being given.

If access to the internet, a device or just a quiet place to complete homework is an issue, we do offer a weekly homework club in school. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are interested in a place.

If you require any further information, please speak to your child's class teacher or to Mr Hodkin or Ms Patora. Thank you for your continued support.

# Year 4 Curriculum Overview



## Summer Term 2023

## English

As part of English learning the children will be focusing on 'Escape from Pompeii' as their key text and will be writing their own story with a warning as well as a newspaper report.

The key skills and objectives we will cover are:

- asking questions to clarify or develop understanding;
- identifying and summarising main ideas of a text;
- looking at and discussing models of the text type
- making careful choices about vocabulary used.

### Ideas for supporting your child at home:

- Encourage your child to think carefully about the words they want to use to begin their sentences and paragraphs.
- Read books related to the topic of 'Romans' and ask questions developing their understanding.

## Mathematics

The children in Year 4 will continue to develop their fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills and in order for all children to learn towards mastery, we will continue to teach topics over longer periods of time using White Rose.

This term, the children's learning will centre around numbers to 10,000. We will build upon our knowledge of place value in order to understand the links between ones, tens, hundreds and thousands. We will then apply this knowledge into the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and develop our use of written methods for these operations.

## Science – Animals and their habitats.

- recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways;
- explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment;
- recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

## History/ Geography

This half-term's topic will be 'The Romans and the Roman Empire'. They will be developing and extending their geographical and historical skills:

- locating world's countries, focusing on Europe;
- understanding similarities and differences through study of human and physical geography of a region of UK;
- understanding the importance of the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.

## PSHE – Being me in my world

**Music** – Children will continue with their Rockband lessons

**Spanish** – Numbers to twenty and how to describe the age of various family members.

**Computing** – internet safety and email. They will improve their knowledge and understanding of the dangers of sharing personal information when using the internet as well as surfing the net safely.

**PE** – dance and football with a focus on moving and using actions with co-ordination and control.

**RE** – marriage and What do Sikh symbols and sayings tell us? Please talk to your child about other religions and the similarities and differences between them.