

Pole to Pole - Terms 3 and 4 2020 - Year 4

History

We will be learning about the **Roman Empire**, including having a visitor come in to help us imagine being a Roman. Children will be encouraged to ask their own questions and begin to find out their own information at home to add to our school learning.



Geography

We will learn about Roman place names and study **maps** of UK and Europe throughout history around the Roman Empire. In Term 4, we will learn about **volcanoes**: where they can be found and how they are formed.



Art/Design and Technology

We will be creating 2D and 3D art and crafts relating to our Romans topic as well as investigating what Roman art looked like, making comparisons to more modern styles of art.

Computing

We will learn how to refine searches on the internet, whilst also staying safe online and learn about input and output.

R.E.

We will continue to learn about **Islam** and be finding out more about Muslim beliefs and lifestyle. We will also be learning about Christianity, including Easter and Christian beliefs and practices.

Music

We will be learning more about musical notation, pitch and rhythm. We will also investigate Roman music and begin to learn how to play an instrument similar to that from this period in history.

P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social and Health Education)

Our themes will be 'Growing and Changing', 'Feelings and Emotions' and 'Being Responsible'. We will take part in class discussions and activities around these themes and how we can be healthy both in body and mind. We will look at 'Building Futures' and compare modern-day jobs to those in Roman times.

P.E.

As well as our yoga sessions with Mrs. Smith, we will have swimming and hockey.

Science

We will investigate **Sound**, learning about how sounds are made and how we can compare them. We will then learn about various **inventions** throughout the ages, investigating how science has progressed.



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English

We will be investigating where our words come from, helping us to learn their spellings and meanings. Our writing styles will include diaries, recounts, explanation texts, and debates, and we will write stories and poems with historical settings. Children will be expected to proof-read their own work with more accuracy, spotting and correcting their mistakes to improve their writing. In Guided Reading, we will be using myths and legends, and information texts about the Roman Empire. We will be comparing different purposes for writing and how language is used in different ways.



Maths

As well as revisiting all 4 operations and using these to solve problems, we will be learning more about Roman numerals, negative numbers and area linking to our Roman topic. We will also be investigating fractions, decimals and shapes. Our weekly times tables challenge will be continuing. Please remember to practise these at home including division facts relating to the times tables. Please continue to encourage everyday maths activities at home such as using money, telling the time and measuring.



Reminders

Please make sure that your child reads regularly at home and brings their reading packet daily.

Your child can have a fruit or vegetable snack at break time. This is especially useful after swimming on a Monday to keep their energy levels up!

Please make sure that your child has their P.E. kit in school all week as our P.E. day can sometimes change around other activities in school - outdoor and indoor kits will be needed.

Please keep practising the Y4 Common Exception Words for our weekly spelling activities.

Use the knowledge organisers as extra reading and research activities at home.

Website and Online Learning

Don't forget to check the Y4 page on the class website, updated weekly. Look out for our posts on Twitter as we will share pictures on there weekly for you to see.

Also remember to use the Reading Eggspress, TT Rock Stars and Espresso home access websites for extra learning activities.



Please don't hesitate to ask if you would like any more information. Thank you for your support.

The Year 4 Team