

## Science

In science we will start by exploring the natural world of trees before moving on to focus on our own bodies and how we chew, break down and then digest food.

## Maths

In maths, we are learning our place value and building upon our addition and subtraction skills. We will look at numbers up to 10,000 and apply this understanding of number to using the four operations. We will be solving number problems involving our digit numbers, using negative numbers and learning about Roman Numerals. We will also be practising our times tables to learn both multiplication and division facts.

## PSHE

Our Jigsaw topic this half term is: Being me in my world. Throughout it, we will be discussing the importance of being who we are and celebrating our differences and similarities as a class.

## R.E.

In R.E, we will focus upon a unit of work called 'Communities'. We will learn about what it means to belong, explain what makes a community and describe the contributions of a religious group to our community.

## Art and Design

We will be getting in touch with our creative sides as we explore Roman architecture and looking at the finer details of houses including textures, sizes and viewpoints.

# Year 4 Term 1

## Empire Strikes Back!

Our theme this term is historically based as it is all about The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain. We will discover who the Romans were, why they invaded and how they have impacted our lives today. We will learn all about the Roman army and will become Roman soldiers to investigate how they lived and fought during invasions.

## English

In English, we start the term focusing our talk for writing lessons on a journey tale that includes dialogue. As the term progresses we will cover writing units that focus on a recount, a setting description and instructions. We will use model texts that engage and inspire the children.

In guided reading, we will be reading Boudicca's Army and The Captive Celt alongside a range of linked texts developing our fluency and inference and understanding of authorial intent.

## Support from Home

Please ensure that your child is reading frequently at home. We have a large range of brand new books for them to explore.

Weekly homework must be completed. Bonus points of 5 dojos for children who bring it back by Wednesday.

During year 4, the children take the time tables test so it is vitally important that they are practising their times tables as often as possible both in and out of school. The test challenges the children in how quickly they can recall multiplication facts from the 1-12 times table. TTrackstars is a fantastic way to prepare for this test. Logins will be sent via class dojo.

## P.E.

In PE, we will be developing our fundamental skills through athletics and fitness sessions. We will also be supported by a Hull FC coach and a Physical Foundations coach for one of our weekly PE sessions each half term. Please check with teachers for PE days.

## Music

Year 4 will be having music lessons with a new music teacher this term. We will be learning all about the history of music, different genres of music and how music is composed using different instruments. The children will also be learning how to play the glockenspiel.

## Computing

In computing, we will begin by learning how to be safe on the internet. We will then move on to earning about computer systems and networks connected to the use of the internet. We will be learning how websites can be shared via the World Wide Web and will be evaluating the consequences of unreliable content.

## History and Geography

In history, we will be learning all about The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain. We will be developing our chronological understanding by using timelines to order events, people and changes.

In geography, we will be learning about the wider world in more detail. We will focus on Europe and Italy. We will learn about human and physical features of Italy and compare the country to the UK.