



Year 4: Spring 1 Newsletter

English

As writers we will be learning about Kenning Poems and writing one to describe a Roman Soldier. We will also be producing a narrative based on the book 'Escape from Pompeii'. As well as writing an instructional text about how to be a Roman Gladiator. As readers we will be developing our use of VIPERS skills to comprehend what we read. We will focus on texts related to topical events happening in the world.

Mathematics

As mathematicians we will be having daily practise of the timetables. We will be continuing our topic on multiplication and division, focusing on factor pairs and efficient ways to multiply. Afterwards we will be looking at length and perimeter.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be concentrating on Money Matters. This incorporates learning about different ways to pay for things, the skill of saving and that spending decisions are made based on need, wants and priorities.

RE

In RE will be using the Derbyshire Syllabus to look at the following enquiry question: Why do some people think that life is like a journey and what significant experiences mark this?

Physical Education

In PE our sport focus is Dance.

Topic

Science: As scientists we will learn about Ecology. We will look at habitats and how animals are adapted to live in certain places. We will also learn about food webs.

Geography: As geographers we will be learning about Eastern Europe. We will be able to locate this on a map, talk about its climate and compare human and physical features with other continents.

History: As historians we will learn about Ancient Rome. Within the topic we will be learning about Pompeii, Roman gladiators, its monarchy, republic and empire as well as everyday life in Ancient Rome.

Art/DT: As artists we will be looking at the pieces of art produced by Matisse, Munch and Kauffman. We will develop skills in composition, using lines to add expression and painting using watercolours.

Computing:
In computing we will be looking at repetition in shapes and online safety.

Music: As musicians we will be continuing to work with Melanie our music teacher, to learn singing techniques.

French: As linguists we will be looking at the months of the years and what the weather is like in those months. We will then look at identifying our birthdays.

Important Dates and Days

19th Jan – Year 4 Greek Day
6th Feb – Music concert with Melanie
6th Feb – 10th – Children's mental health week
Feb 7th - Safer internet day