

Year 4 Spring 1 Term Newsletter

Our topic is... Rampaging Romans!



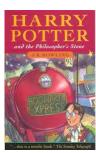
English



Our English book for this half term is 'Kaspar Prince of Cats.' At the end of each day, 4C will read 'The City of Stolen Magic' by Nazneen Pathak and 4S will read 'Harry Potter and the Philosophers Stone' by JK Rowling.

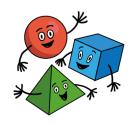






This half term, we will be writing a diary entry and a narrative. We will discuss the audience, purpose, genre and formality of our writing. Throughout the term, we will explore how writers use technical vocabulary, pronouns, short sentences and direct speech to engage the reader before applying these within our own writing. We will continue to learn the skills to edit and improve our work as well as creating a final piece for our writing display.

Maths



In Maths this half term, we will be learning a variety of different skills.

To begin, we will analyse and display discrete and continuous data. Following this, we will look at fractions and decimals.



Maths Meeting

In Maths Meetings this half term, we will be recapping all the skills we've learnt in Maths during Autumn Term, as well as this term. We will continue to revise our Maths Mastery learning of the four operations. In addition, we will focus on our II and I2 times tables ensuring we can recite these multiplications in and out of order confidently. We will continue to have a strong focus on improving our fluency with times tables ready for the MTC in June.



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Science

In Science this term, we learning about States of Matter. We will identify what a solid, liquid and gas is as well as a particle. We will conduct an experiment to see what happens when water is heated and cooled.



History

In History this term, we will begin to explore 'The Romans. We will learn about their religious beliefs, why they came to Britain, how their society was structured and what daily life was like. We will study key historical figures from this period in History, including Julius Caesar and Boudicca.



Geography

In Geography this term, we will learn locational knowledge as well as Human and Physical Geography. To begin, we will identify various countries within Europe before focusing our attention to Italy. After, we will study the physical geography of the Earth's surface linking this to the formation of volcanoes and earthquakes.



Music

This term, we will explore silence and how it is used as a beat for effect. In addition, we will listen to classical music pieces which denote battles and fighting. We will use this learning to compose a piece of music, experimenting with repeating patterns.



In DT this term, we are focusing on gears, levers and pulleys! We will evaluate some existing products, then use this to help us to plan our own pulley. We will research why Romans used pulleys. After, we will create a pulley system using a wide range of materials and components. Finally we will evaluate



Computing

In computing this term, we will continue to focus on programming and coding before moving on to developing our I.T. skills using different software.



French.

In French this term, we will learn about colours and food.



Art

In Art, we will be focusing on researching, designing, making and analysing Roman mosaics.



PSHF

In PSHE, we will be focusing on 'social' (belonging to a community). We will discuss what makes a com- grounds and maintain munity as well as develop an understanding of our shared responsibilities.



Life Skills

Our Life Skill topic this term is responsibility. We will plant seeds in the school the planted area. Furthermore, we will buddy up with Year I and listen to them read.

What's happening this this half term?

Dates to be confirmed and sent via dojo.