

MOLDGREEN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL YEAR FOUR



Spring Term 1

This newsletter is to let you know what your child's class will be learning about this half term.

English In English we shall be basing our work around the book 'Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliona a Young Slave by Richard Pratt. The children will be writing character and setting description based on Roman people and buildings. They will write non-fiction pieces about Roman baths and aqueducts. Bespoke reading sessions will take place every day to ensure children have the skills to answer a range of questions and complete pure reading activities.

<u>Maths</u> In our maths work we will be focusing on multiplication and division. The children will be learning methods to solve multiplication problems up to 12x and their division facts. They will learn ways to solve 2 digit numbers multiplied by 1 digit numbers. The children will also use this skill to help calculate area.

Science Our science topic this half-term will be electricity. The children will learn the safety behind using electricity and how it is generated and travels to our homes and school. The children will create circuits and complete a variety of experiments using a variety of electrical devices in the circuits. They will test for conductors and insulators and write up their experiments.

<u>PE</u> Please remember to attend school in your PE kit on a Wednesday and a Thursday. If your child wears earrings, these need to be removed for PE. If they are new piercings, they will need to be covered for the day of PE.

<u>ART/DT</u> This half-term the children will study Roman artwork. They will look at different designs and mosaics and design and make their own roman mosaic. The children will plan out the pattern and use tiles and adhesive to produce their design and then use grout to complete their finished artwork.

<u>COMPUTING</u> This half-term the children will understand safer internet use and work will tie into Safer Internet Day. Children will complete work on search engines and learn about the quality of searches and the content on various web-sites.

<u>WIDER CURRICULUM</u> During the first half of this term the children will learn about the Roman Empire and why the Romans invaded Britain. They will learn about how organised the Roman army was and various dates linked to their take over of Europe and North Africa. The children will use books, the internet and maps

 \underline{RE} What do creation stories tell us about our world? In this half-term's work, the children will learn about creation stories from a range of religions and compare and contrast this to what various scientists believe about the world's creation. The children will learn these stories and be able to talk about how they think the world was created by writing their own version of the events.

<u>Music</u> Our new music scheme is called Charanga. All the learning during this half-term will be based around the song 'Stop!' The children will listen and appraise music and participate in various songs and games linked to vocal warm-up and pitch. The children will work on their own lyrics to a known tune.

<u>Water bottles</u>-It is important for children to keep hydrated throughout the day. Please allow your child to bring their <u>named</u> water bottle into school so they can have a drink. These will be sent home each day.