



## Year 4 Spring 2 2023 - The Roman Empire (Second half term)

### English

At the beginning of the half term, Year 4 will look at the structure and form of the poem 'What is Pink?' by Christina Rossetti. We will then move on to writing a narrative piece using tension, focusing on specific language choices to create the desired effect on the reader. The children will then create a travel brochure about Italy.



### History

This term is a history focus, looking at the history and achievements of the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain. Year 4 will use a range of sources of evidence to understand and explain events, and they will also suggest causes and consequences of main events.

### Art & Design

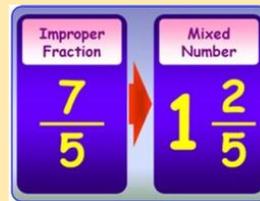
After making our pasta dish, the children will be learning about and replicating Roman mosaic patterns. They will be using a range of techniques to arrange materials to give a striking effect, as well as ensuring work is precise.

### Maths

This term, the children will be learning how to:

- Calculate the perimeter of a range of shapes.
- Find missing lengths of shapes.
- Understand fractions bigger than 1 whole and compare and order mixed numbers.
- Find equivalent fractions.
- Add and subtract fractions.

We will then be moving on to learning about decimals.



### Computing

This term we will be focusing on writing for different audiences. We will be looking at different publication formats, the effect of font styles, newspaper publications and writing for a campaign.

### PE & Music

Our PE this term will be focusing on fitness, where the children will focus on strength, co-ordination, agility, balance, and stamina. In music we will be learning about samba music, focusing on breaks and rhythms. They will then perform their own samba piece.

### Science

Year 4 will be learning about the digestive system, and the roles and functions of different types of teeth. The children will be describing the different parts of the digestive system in humans, and exploring how human and animal skeletons and muscles are used for protection and movement.

### RE & RSHE

Our RE question is 'What does sacrifice mean?' focusing on Christianity, with links to other religions.

In RSHE Year 4 will be exploring water safety. We will be identifying dangers of the water, ways to keep safe, and how to prevent getting into danger in the water.