

Now lots of useful information to help you and your children be organised and make the most of the year group. Please also ensure you keep checking our website, Twitter account and text messages for other updates as well as looking out for letters which may be sent home from time to time.

### What will my child be learning this term?

#### Our theme for this term is – The Romans

##### English

In English we will be learning about different forms of poetry. We will listen to, read aloud and read independently a range of poems about the Romans. We will begin to explain how the structure and presentation contribute to the meaning of texts. We will be preparing and writing our own poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.

##### Maths

In Maths our focus for this half term is fractions. We will learn to count up and down in tenths. Recognise that tenths arise from dividing an object into 10 equal parts. We will learn what a denominator and a numerator are and what each of these terms mean. We will then learn how to add, subtract and multiply fractions and solve problems using these.



##### PE

In PE this half term we are learning to send and receive balls safely with our hands and feet.

### Diary dates...

World Book Day 7<sup>th</sup> March  
Showcase Assembly 21<sup>st</sup> March  
School closes 22<sup>nd</sup> March

##### Science

In Science this half term we will be learning about Forces and magnets. We will describe how magnets work and predict whether magnets will attract or repel and give a reason. We will explore and describe how objects move on different surfaces. We will be able to explain how some forces require contact and some do not. We will also explore and explain how objects attract and repel in relation to objects and other magnets. We will predict whether objects will be magnetic and carry out an enquiry to test this out.

##### History

In History this half term we will be learning about the Romans and be able to explain why they invaded Britain. We will also explain how the settled in Britain and what life was like in Roman Times. We will describe events from the past using dates when things happened. Use a timeline within a specific period of history to set out the order that things may have happened. Use my mathematical knowledge to work out how long-ago the Romans invaded Britain.

##### PHSCE

#### Rights & Respect

In PHSCE we will be learning to identify key people who are responsible for them to stay safe and healthy. Understand the difference between 'fact' and 'opinion'. We will also be learning to define what a volunteer is and explain that people earn their income through their jobs. Through this they will understand the terms 'income', 'saving' and 'spending'. They will define what is meant by the environment and learn how to care for our school environment.

### How can I help my child at home?

- Ask them what they are **learning about** in school.
- Make sure they have **equipment** to do their **learning at home**.
- Check your child is doing their **learning at home** and handing it in on **Thursday**.
- **Listen to your child read** every night and talk to them about the book (this can be done in English or the home language) – use the questions in their reading records.
- Help them practice their **times tables**. Children should log in to TT Rockstar's daily.
- Help them learn their **high-frequency words / phonics sounds / spellings**. **Spelling tests will be on Friday morning**.

### Where can we go as a family to support my child's learning?

#### Talking at Home

We encourage you to talk to your child about their learning in class. Ask them what they have learnt each day or something new which they have found out. See if your child can explain what they have been learning at school. This is a good indication of how well they listen and how interested they are in their work. They may even tell you something you didn't know!

### Upcoming trips / visits / visitors / theme days

### E-safety reminders

1. Don't give out personnel information.
2. Never send pictures to strangers.
3. Keep passwords private.
4. Don't download anything without permission.
5. Tell an adult if you receive a mean or strange message.

### Uniform reminders

Children need to wear **black plain shoes** and **bring their school reading book/ records daily**.

PE will take place on Friday afternoons. Children will need to come to school in the correct kit every Friday please.

