



'Being Better Every Day'

Wednesday 18th December 2024

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter – Term 3

Next term, we are looking forward to learning all about The Romans. The children did fantastically well in our Geography unit 'Why do people settle where they do?' and I really hope that that they enjoy our next unit of work in the same way.

In **Term 3**, our unit title is '**When in Rome.**' There is a big focus on **History** in this unit.

In this unit, we will be learning about the causes of the events in this period of history and some of the immediate impacts it had. We will also be looking at what a leader does and compare how this looks during different periods in history.

During this unit, your child will attempt to answer the concept question:

What was the impact of the Roman invasion on British lives?



(We have attached a 'Knowledge Organiser' for this unit, providing an overview of the unit; this should be a useful resource for pupils and parents.)

Home Learning Project

For each unit, I will ask your child to complete a home-learning project. I ask that every child has a go at completing a project that can be brought into school. For this unit I would like your child to make a Roman shield, chariot or villa. Alternatively, your child may want to do one of the projects listed below:

- A fact file on Julius Caesar, Claudius or Boudicca.
- A map showing the Roman roads and towns.

Your child may wish to come up with their own idea for their home learning project. Your child may wish to complete their project by themselves or need your support in completing their project – either is fine and we look forward to seeing them before the end of term.



I have also included a list of websites you could explore at home to help your child with their learning:

Useful Websites:

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk>

<https://youtu.be/zusUNS3mCMY>

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-27922-3d-roman-chariot-paper-model>

Home learning projects should be completed by the **week beginning Monday 10th February 2025**. If you have any questions about the home learning project, please contact me.

Reading

The children have been really enjoying our 'Destination Reader' work in class. Our next shared book will be 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes.

Homework

Please continue to encourage daily reading and home reading records can be brought in and will be signed once a week.

Reading is the single most important skill that children will learn and we expect every child to read at home every day. In Year 3, I expect every child to read with an adult for a minimum of **15 minutes** every day. Reading takes on many forms and can take place just about anywhere, including the reading of labels and signs, and in magazines and comics. Parents and carers should record the daily reading activity in your child's reading record.

Additionally, I would like the children to be practising their times tables every day for at least **10 minutes**. The children all have an individual account for **Times Table Rock Stars** which they can use to support their learning. The aim is for our Year 3 children to know their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables really well by the end of the school year. Some children are doing lots of practice on times tables rock stars and it is making a real difference to their speed of recall.

Children can also choose additional homework tasks from the 'menu' of activities that will be sent home.

PE

This term, our PE lessons will take place on **Wednesday**. Your child should wear their PE kit to school on this day.

I hope your child will enjoy their new term in Year 3 and I would like to wish you all a very happy new year!

Yours sincerely,



Miss Jeffery

Year 3 Class Teacher

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