MATHS

This term we will focus on consolidation of good number and place value skills using place value counters, number lines, partitioning skills and problem solving activities. We are also learning about partitioning and rounding numbers to 10, 100 and 1000. Our learning will then focus on addition and subtraction skills where we will revisit written methods for these calculations.

Year 4 Term 1 - How did the Romans change Britain? (HISTORY)

In this topic, we will be learning about life in Britain during Roman times. We will start by learning about the Roman invasions in 55BC, 54BC and 43AD and how this affected the lives of the people in Britain. We will look at how the Celts resisted the invasions, focusing on the lives and events of Boudicca and King Caractacus. Over the 400 years that the Romans were in Britain, they had a huge impact on life, which is still evident today. We will be learning about these developments and the changes to people’s way of life both in the past and how they still affect our lives today.

ART

The class will be building on their previous experience of sculpture from year 3 to create a Roman pot. The children will investigate the work of Ikuko Iwamoto who uses porcelain to create eccentric table-top pieces and sculpture and compare her work to Roman pottery.

SCIENCE

We will be learning about “States of Matter”. We will learn about what materials are and how they can be either a solid, a liquid or a gas and how some materials can change state from one of these states to another.

PSHE

This unit is based on the concept that living as rights-respecting citizens is important. It is inspired by human rights being shared by all people – no matter who they are or where they are from – and that these rights are there to protect all people.

MUSIC

In this unit we will be listening to and appraising songs by the group ABBA. Then we will be learning to sing the song “Mamma Mia” and we will be starting to use musical instruments to accompany the song.

RE

This term in RE we will be focusing on the question: “Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?”

We will learn in depth about Christianity, exploring different reasons why Jesus is considered an inspiring figure by Christians – and by many other people too.

PE

Our outdoor PE this term will be Tennis. Our indoor PE will be Gymnastics where we will be focussing on different ways of balancing and travelling gracefully around our space.

MFL

In this 'What’s the Time?' unit, we will learn how to tell the time: o’clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. We will learn how to read timetables and TV schedules and answer simple questions. We will calculate the difference between times.

ENGLISH

Our class text is “Roman Diary”. This life story will be the focus for our class reading sessions. We will use this text to help us to learn how to write diary entries and non-chronological reports. In addition to this we will be using the poem “I am a Roman soldier”.

COMPUTING

This term we will focus on online safety. We will learn how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly/identify ways to report concerns about content. Finally, we will apply online safety rules to real life scenarios.