

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.

MATHS

This term we will focus on consolidation of 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.

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 first person viewpoint narratives.

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.

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. We will also be thinking about searching and sending content online.

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.

MFL

In this 'All Around Town' unit, we will learn how to talk about where we live and what is in our area. We will also learn to count to 100, and count in 10s.

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 learning about the 5 pillars of Islam. We will be learning about what the 5 pillars are and how important they are for Muslims in their everyday lives.

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.

PSHE

In PSHE we are using 'No Outsiders', which teaches about equalities and how everybody belongs. We will also be using 'My Happy Minds', focusing on how our brains work and how this helps us to focus on how we are thinking and feeling.