Spring Term 1 3rd January – 9th February 2024 Teacher: Kirsty Illman TA: Lucy Jones & Karen Hughes

English

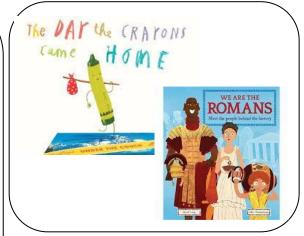
Our first text stimulus this half term will be 'The Day the Crayons Came Home' by Oliver Jeffers and Drew Daywalt. We will be building up to writing our own adventure stories in the same style as the author. Our second piece will be a non-chronological report about an aspect of Roman life. We will be using the book 'We are The Romans' by David Long and will be creating our own class book in the same style. We will be starting a new 'reading for pleasure' text, Malamander by Thomas Taylor, and our whole class reading sessions will also include various other texts, ensuring the children are exposed to a variety of different text types.

Maths

After finishing off our unit on area, we will be concentrating on multiplication and division. We will also continue to focus on our times table fluency.

Science

We will be continuing with our unit on Digestion before starting our new science unit – Reproduction in Plants.



Year 4 Euro Class



Values

This term the following values will underpin our learning in school:

- Patience
- Freedom and individual liberty
- Love

Humanities

We will focus on History this half term and focusing on the Romans. Our big question is 'How would life have been different if Boudicca had been successful?' We will be finding out who the Romans were and why they invaded Britain and studying the Roman army including what it takes to be a Roman soldier and the type of armour they wore. We will finish the half term by exploring who Boudicca was and why she was significant. This unit will continue next half term.

Financial Friday

Our big question this half term is 'what can we use our money for?' We will look at the differences between individual needs and wants and how these can vary from person to person, depending on circumstances.

Foundation subjects

PE: Gymnastics & Hockey

RE: Myth

PSHE: Keeping myself safe

Art: Sonia Delaunay

Spanish: Naming and describing parts of the body

Music: The recorder

Computing: Audio Production

Please encourage your child to read for ten minutes every night. If you have time to listen to them read or ask them a few questions about their book it would be really beneficial. Homework will be set on Seesaw and instructions will be given on how to submit. This will include daily times table and spelling practice. Children will also take turns in bringing home our class reading bag which contains activities to be completed throughout the week.

Tuesday and Wednesday are our PE days so please ensure your child comes into school in their PE kit on those days. We visit the library on Thursdays, when children will be able to change their book if they wish. Reading books can be changed independently, as and when needed.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs Illman and Mrs Jones 🚳