

# Renovating Romans

## Elm Class, Term 1

### How did the Romans change Britain?



#### English

Our English learning will begin with the text 'The Fox and the Stars'. This will be followed by 'Town by the Sea' and 'Escape from Pompeii'.

This term, there will be an emphasis on presentation and consolidating previous learning.

New learning will include increasing the range of conjunctions and using speech punctuation accurately.

#### Science

In science this term, we will be learning about sound. We will be exploring vibrations through the air and considering the relationship between volume and distance.

We will be investigating sound proofing materials and changes in pitch.

#### Art

In Art we will be designing and making our own mosaics, linked to our learning in history.

#### Computing

In Computing this term, the children will be developing confidence in using algorithms to help them sequence more complex programs and use efficient procedures to simplify a program, using Hopscotch.

#### Maths

In Maths we will begin by exploring place value including rounding, partitioning, ordering and comparing. We will then learn about addition and subtraction.

#### Topic

This term our focus will be history and we will launch our Romans topic. We will be considering the impact of Romanisation in Britain and will learn about their legacy.

#### RE/PSHE

In R.E. we will be exploring Buddhism, asking the question: *What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?* Through this question we will be exploring the 8-fold path.

In PSHE we will consider our place in our class, school and the wider community, with a focus on 'social responsibility'.

#### Dates

**8/9/23** Girls' football activity- all children can come in PE kit.

**13/9/23 @ 2.30pm** Welcome to Elm meeting for parents in classroom (Powerpoint will be made available afterwards)

**Date tbc** Trip to Caerleon (letter to follow)

**16 & 18/10/23** Parents' evenings

#### Extra Information

**Mon-Weds: Carrie Shapcott** **Weds-Fri: Kerry Northam**

**PE** – Mondays and Tuesdays. Children need to wear their PE kit to school.

**Home learning** – Please listen to your child read at least four times a week and record this in their Reading Records. We will also be encouraging the children to practise their times tables using TT Rock Stars at school and at home. Please refer to the home spelling plan for weekly spelling learning (which will be sent home with the children). Maths home learning will be sent via Teams on Wednesdays, to be returned the following Wednesday. Spelling home learning will begin on 11/9/23 and maths will start on 20/9/23

**Water bottles** – Please bring in a named water bottle daily.

**Fruit snack** – Please can children bring in a fresh fruit snack for morning break.

**Wellies**- Children will need a named pair of wellies in school.

**Uniform**- Don't forget to name ALL uniform!

**Donations**- If you have any spare kitchen roll tubes or empty margarine tubs (or similar), please keep them to bring in **18/9/23**. We'd also love to have any glossy magazines to cut up for our art work.

Thank you for your support.

Kerry Northam & Carrie Shapcott