



# WE LEARN MUCH MORE IN YEAR 4!

## SCIENCE

Our theme this half term is **Animals**, including humans. We will be constructing and interpreting a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. Describing the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. Identifying the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions.

## HISTORY and SPANISH

In History we are learning about The Romans and their Empire and its impact on the Britain Empire. Key questions will include:  
What happened to the invasion of Britain in 55-54BC by Julius Caesar?  
What was the Roman Empire like by AD 305?  
What was the army like?  
Why was the invasion by Claudius successful?  
What is Hadrian's Wall?  
In Britain who resisted the Romans? What happened?  
What were Roman homes like?  
What were Roman beliefs?  
In Spanish, we will participate in songs and play games based on vocabulary naming parts of the body. We will ask questions about a person's appearance and understand the answer.

## ART, DT and MUSIC

We will be making a link with History by designing, making and evaluating a mosaic using clay. In Music, we will continue to learn how to play the glockenspiel.

## HOME LEARNING

Please continue to support your child in completing their home learning on Seesaw. This will be set on a Friday and is due in on a Wednesday. Learning will include Maths, Reading and Spelling/Grammar. Please also support your child in learning and revising their times tables.

- We can be resilient.
- We can make a difference.
- We live respectfully.
- We make healthy choices.
- We can make things happen.



## VALUES and WELL-BEING

Welcome to the Second part of the Autumn term! Our values this half term are Patience, Unity and Love. We will also continue to actively promote the British Values: \*Democracy \*Rule of Law \*Individual Liberty \*Mutual Respect \*Tolerance of those with Different Faiths and Beliefs.

## ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

We are looking forward to showcasing our learning.

## PSHE, RSE and RE

Using our 'SCARF' resource, we will explore the theme of keeping myself self which includes a British Values focus. We will be exploring the concept of Good and Evil and describing ways in which Hindus remember good and evil in the celebrations of Holi.

## COMPUTING We are HTML editors.

We will be developing and making our own web page.

## PE (Our PE days are Monday and Friday)

We will be enjoying learning and practising skills for invasion games.

## OUR TEXT-DRIVER

Journal of Iliona. A Young Slave by The Richard Platt.  
Roman Myths by Geraldine McCaughrean

## ENGLISH

In the novel Journal of Iliona, Iliona never imagined that her sea voyage from Greece to Egypt would lead to Rome, but when she is captured by pirates and auctioned off as a slave, that's where she lands. We are invited to view the wonders of Rome through Iliona's eyes--the luxury, the excess, and the politics. This half term our English learning will focus on writing from different characters' viewpoints in letters and diary entries. Writing a newspaper article on a Roman party and a playscript based on a Roman myth.

## MATHS

We will be counting up and down in tenths. Round decimals with one decimal place to the nearest whole number Find the effect of dividing a one-or two-digit number by 10 and 100. Recognise and write decimal equivalents to  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals based on their properties and sizes. Identify acute and obtuse angles. Complete a simple symmetric figure with respect to a specific line of symmetry. Describe positions on a 2-D grid as co-ordinates. Find the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares. The learning of these skills will involve using mathematical equipment, diagrams and efficient methods. We will be applying these to problem solving.