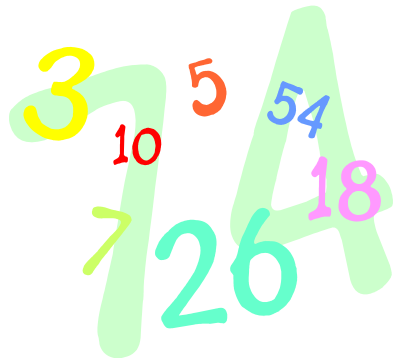


In Maths lessons children will continue to work on the 4 rules of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Children will complete units on measure, fractions, statistics and much more.

Please continue to help your child by:

- Encouraging them to practise their tables; By the end of year 4 children are expected to know all their times tables up to 12×12 /
- Taking opportunities to use and apply maths in everyday situations e.g. cooking, shopping, telling the time.
- Playing cards and board games which use number, time or money etc



Homework

Please continue to support your child with homework tasks and sign their homework diary when tasks are completed.

In addition to specific homework tasks recorded in the diary, children should practise reading, and tables on an on-going basis. Please sign your child's reading diary when they have read at home.

Thank you for your continued support
Year 3 & 4 staff



Year 3 & 4 Spring Term 2017 The Romans & The Saxons

We hope that our overview of this term's topics will provide you with ideas of how to help your child at home.

Miss Skirving, Mrs Scott and Miss Dawson

This term we will be finding out about the Romans and Saxons. In our History and Geography lessons we will be finding out who they were, where they settled in Britain, about their daily life and much more. As part of our topic we are planning a visit to Wroxeter Roman Villa, so the children can learn first hand about a Roman Villa, from the ruins and other hands on objects.

In our Science lessons we will be looking at plants, seed dispersal and process of photosynthesis. We are planning a trip to the allotments to learn more about what plants need and how allotments are used.



In Art we will be looking at Roman patterns and mosaics, making models using clay and Saxon brooches using felt.

In Design and Technology we will be designing and making a Roman shield.

In R.E. children will find out about Mohammed and his faith and treating animals with respect.

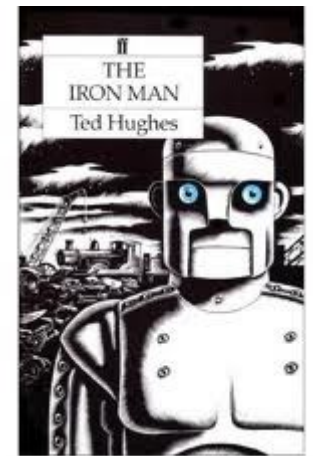
Our SEAL lessons will be focusing on 'Going for Goals' where the children will think about setting their own goals and ways of achieving it. Our other topic will be 'Good to be Me' We will continue to focus on British Values throughout our lessons.

We will be completing a unit on dance in our P.E. lessons and ball games outside. Children **will not** swim this term, however swimming lessons will continue after Easter.

Children still need their indoor and outdoor P.E. kit in school at all times. Please make sure your child has suitable outdoor kit (including a warm sweatshirt and tracksuit bottoms now the colder weather is here.) They need pumps for indoors and trainers for outdoors.

In our Computing lessons, children will be researching the Romans and Saxons. They will be using programmes such as J2E and PowerPoint to communicate and present their research.

In Literacy we will be reading Ted Hughes' 'The Iron Man'. We will also be focusing on two Roald Dahl books, The Twits and The Magic Finger. Children will be using a variety of other texts and videos to support their writing. As part of our topic we will be writing non-chronological reports and newspaper reports linked to the Romans.



Please help your child by:

- Encouraging your child to read from a wide range of materials both independently and to an adult for at least 10 minutes each day;
- Reminding them to record their reading in their diary; Children who do not read or fail to get their diary signed will need to read for 10 minutes at break.
- Discussing their reading to ensure understanding;
- Encouraging them to write for pleasure e.g. stories, diaries, letters, e-mails, get them to check these through for correct punctuation being used.
- Please encourage your children to read and research The Romans and The Saxons.

