

ENGLISH

Linking to our topic the children will be learning about:

Non- Chronological Reports

Children will study the structure & language features of non-chronological reports before planning, researching & finally writing about Roman Baths. At the end of the plan the class explore persuasive language & different points of view, ending in a debate about how clean the Romans were.

Newspaper Reports/Recounts

Children will learn about how Julius Caesar died. They will then write a variety of recounts to create a Roman newspaper.

Fiction

We will be exploring the amazing story of *The Minpins* by Roald Dahl. Using the delightful illustrations to inspire their creative writing.

Grammar and Punctuation Focus:

This term we will be focusing on prepositions, making nouns plural, identifying and expanding simple and complex sentences and improving our sentence starters.

RE

What happens in churches during Lent and at Easter?

This term children will learn about what happens in churches during Lent and at Easter focusing on: Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday; Maundy Thursday; Good Friday; Holy Saturday and Easter Day.

MATHS

Please refer to the separate half termly Maths plans.

SPANISH

Following the scheme from *La Jolie Ronde*.

We will be learning colours, days of the week, and names of simple foods.

COMPUTING

Data handling

This term in Computing, the children will continue working on creating spreadsheets and bar graphs to show information such as average temperature and precipitation in Rome and comparing it to the UK.

They will also create a poster advertising the city of Rome in summer.

ART/D&T

I am Warrior

In Art we will be looking at drawings, paintings and statues of Boudicca and discuss how she is portrayed. We will be making sketches of Boudicca.

We will also be looking at Roman mosaics and the children will create their own.

We will be exploring Roman paintings and will use water colours to create our own wall frieze.

Beech Class

2nd Half Spring Term 2018

SCIENCE

Our Changing World

Children will begin this unit by classifying plants and trees in the local area by looking at their leaves. They will learn how to identify and classify deciduous trees in winter by looking at the tree shape, the type of bark, the bud or the vein pattern.

They will also build on previous knowledge of the function of each part of the flower and the lifecycle of a flower.

P4C/PSHE

We will be identifying positive ways to face new challenges.

We will be thinking about a time when they were daring or brave and discuss what they did and how they felt.

We will also be exploring the idea of taking a risk and exploring the question of, Did Boudicca's risk of rebelling against the Romans pay off or not?

MUSIC

Recorders

Children will be continuing with their recorder lessons this term and ending with a class performance.

HUMANITIES

I am Warrior

In History we will be preparing for battle in our new topic as we discover what it was like to live in Roman Times. We will meet Julius Caesar, Boudicca and learn about famous Gladiators such as Spartacus.

In Geography we will use information books, maps and other sources to compare Britain (the home of the Celts) and Rome (the home of the Romans).