



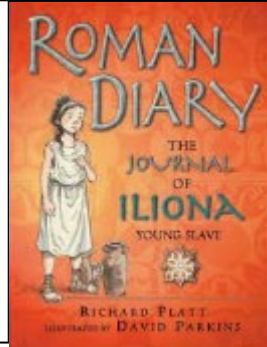
Year 3 Spring Term 3

Curriculum Newsletter



Maths

The children were amazing at addition and subtraction last term and we even began exploring multiplication and division. We will continue to practise this during our spring term and will use our newfound knowledge of multiplication and division to help us with fractions. The children will get to explore with real life objects before using equipment and finally representing it in their books. We will also be focusing on our 4- and 8-times tables so please keep practising at home on TTRockstars.



English and Reading

We are just awaiting the response of the HS2 letters we sent, we will be moving on to learning about some new books in our reading and writing sessions. This term, the children will have the opportunity to experience Shakespeare's 'The Merchant of Venice' through a child friendly adaptation of the book. We will be using our amazing descriptive language that we have been learning about to create setting and character descriptions. After 2 weeks of exploring Shakespeare, we will be moving on the reading 'Roman Diary - The journal of Iliona' by Richard Platt. This lovely novel will put the children in the shoes of a child during Roman times, immersing them in the wonderful topic.

After really enjoying their geography topic of HS2, this term Year 3 will be focusing on the history topic of the Romans. The children have been really enjoying their Latin lessons and this engaging topic links beautifully to it. They will get to investigate what it was like to be alive during the Roman times and see how much the Romans have affected how we live today.

Our RE lessons this term will be focused on Hinduism. The children will get to explore what life is like for a modern follower of the Hindu religion and we will have a guest speaker in to talk about their experience being a Hindu in the modern world. This is a wonderful topic where the children get to fully explore a new religion and relate it to their own beliefs.

In Art, we will be moving onto learning about painting. Over the spring term, the children will be learning about how to paint landscapes and will be building the skills to do this. They will also get to learn about famous artists that have created some beautiful landscapes in the past. We will also be starting our DT unit of British Inventors where we will explore a variety of inventors and have a go at creating some of their inventions.

The children loved finishing 'The Midnight Gang' last term. We have now started reading 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo. The children are almost halfway through now and are finding it very interesting. Sometimes I will read a story, but this is also a chance for the children to share some of their favourite stories and begin to read confidently in front of others. This is a wonderful way to engage the children in reading and hopefully develop a love of reading that will stay with them!

Science and Computing

In science we will be investigating rocks, soils, and fossils. This is a very practical unit of lessons where the children will get to learn lots more about the world around us. From investigating what soil is made up of to looking at the properties of different types of rocks.

In computing this term we will be developing our programming skills. Last year the children coded a sprite to move on Scratch Jr, this term they will be using what they know to learn how to use Scratch. This is a great unit where they can make their sprite sing, dance and create different backgrounds.

Other information:

- PE is Tuesday and Wednesday
- Reading diaries and online learning will be checked on Wednesdays