

## ENGLISH

### Book study

We will be studying 'Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliana a Young Slave Girl' By Richard Platt. We will be investigating what life was like for real Romans.

### Non-Chronological Reports of Roman life.

We will be writing our own information pages about how the Romans lived.

### Story Writing

We will be writing our own 'suspense' stories based on a Gladiator entering the ring.

### Explanation Text

We will be explaining why the Celts could not defeat the Romans.

### Recount

We will be writing a detailed diary from the point of view of real Romans for our Diary reading event.

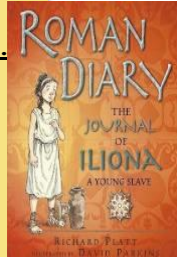
### Reading

Children will have 2 books at all times: a levelled book (given by the teacher) and a library book (child's own choice). The levelled book will be changed by the teacher every Wednesday. If your child is a 'free' reader their reading diary will be checked to see how they are getting on with their book.

Please ensure your child has read AND recorded in their reading diary **AT LEAST 3x per week** as part of their homework. We will give out prizes for the children who have read the most over the half term- it's all to read for!

## ART

Create a Roman Mosaic.  
Sketch a real building



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Design and create a model of a Roman Villa



# WHAT WAS LIFE REALLY LIKE FOR THE ROMANS?

'Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliana, a Young Slave Girl' By Richard Platt.

## Year 4 - Autumn 1

### NOTES FOR PARENTS

Welcome to year 4! We hope you find this Newsletter helpful and you enjoy reading about what we will be doing for the rest of the half term.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

06/09/18: Trip to explore Roman York- Yorkshire Museum and York Baths

Roman Pottery making afternoon

16/10/19: Murton Park Roman Experience

24/10/19: Roman Diary reading to parents

### HOMEWORK

#### Spellings

Spelling homework will be given on a Friday and children will be tested the following Friday morning. There will be a spelling rule and additional tricky spellings to learn.

#### Times Tables/Maths

Math's homework will be given every week and children will have a times table test every Friday morning.

#### Big Idea Homework

A sheet of different challenges relating to the topic will be given every half term.

#### Reading

See the English box for Reading Homework information

### YEAR 4 OPENING EVENING

We would like to invite you to Year 4's 'Meet & Greet' on **Monday 9th September**. It will last for approximately 15 minutes and you are welcome to bring your children with you.

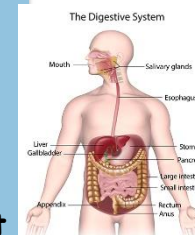
This will give you the opportunity to see where your children are learning and ask any questions you may have.

## COMPUTING

Programming and E-Safety

### History

Place the Roman period chronologically on a timeline. Understand what life was like for everyday Romans.



### MFL & MUSIC

See separate newsletter

## MATHS



Children will be learning about number this term.

They will be investigating place value, Roman numerals, formal calculation methods for addition and subtraction,

We will be practicing the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 x tables. Children must know these tables out of order, with corresponding division facts

## PE

Tuesday & Fridays  
Rules:

- No ear rings can be worn (cannot be covered).
- Uniform: trainers, shorts and t-shirt. Warm tracksuit when cold as PE will be outside this half term.

We will be learning the key skills involved in playing football and hockey.

## SCIENCE

### Living Things

Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans

Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions

## Geography

Locate the Roman Empire