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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new academic year! On the following page, you will find all the subjects that Year 3 and 4 will be covering this term. As part of our Wider curriculum, we will be studying The Romans. To enrich the children's learning, we will be an educational visit. More details about this will follow at a later date.

PΕ

Please ensure that your child's PE kit is kept in school at all times.

PE lessons will be on the following days:

Dove class: Tuesday and Friday

Woodpecker class: Tuesday and Friday Kingfisher class: Tuesday and Thursday

Reading at Home

We encourage children to read at home with an adult four times per week, or more if preferred! Please note down when this takes place in children's reading diaries as this helps us in school to monitor children's progress in reading. Children can change their reading books within their level as often as is necessary. We will collect reading diaries in once a fortnight on a Friday – starting on 12th September - to monitor children's progress.

Maths

Please complete your weekly Doodle Maths homework and encourage your child to Doodle daily. Please also continue to practise times table and division facts. You could use Times Table Rock Stars.

<u>Homework</u>

Please find below some suggested optional activities to further enrich your child's learning relating to our Autumn learning:

- Fact file about The Romans
- Go on a nature walk and create a poster about different living things you find
- Create your own mosaic
- Design a uniform for a Roman soldier
- Find out about the Romans in our local area

Kind regards, The Year 3&4 Team

English

The children will continue using the Talk for Writing Approach. We will be looking first at a warning tale called 'The Canal'. Later in the term, we will be writing information texts after looking at a text called 'Teachers'.

In Reading, we will continue using the Talk for Reading approach where we will develop our fluency and comprehension skills through a range of texts related to our wider curriculum work.

Computing

We are starting the term looking at the Internet and how it works. We will look at search engines and designs of web pages. After half term we will then be enhancing our programming skills using Scratch online.

French

The children will continue to develop their French, practicing introducing themselves and naming colours. They will also learn the names for different animals

Art/D&T

In Art, the children will be focusing on mosaics and pattern linked to their history work on the Romans. We will be studying Isaiah Zagar. For our DT we will be designing and creating Roman shields.

Science

The children will learn to classify plants and animals and during their investigative sessions, they will use their drawing skills. As part of our topic on animals including humans, the classes will study how the human digestive system works.

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Religion and Worldviews

We will be looking at how festivals and worship show what matters to Muslims. The following term, we will look at what Hindus believe God is like.

Humanities

The children will be exploring The Romans, looking at their impact on our lives today, what life was like in Roman times and the main invasions of Britain. We will study famous figures including Julius Caeser and Boudicca.

Mathematics

We will be spending the first month of term developing and extending our place value skills - crucial skills which will support everything else we will do in Maths. We will also look at addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills. Regular practise of number bonds and times tables facts will support your child greatly.

P.F

This term the children will be developing their ball skills during outdoor PE lessons. We will also be doing gymnastics, focusing on balances and creating sequences.

Music

The children will develop their abilities to recognise rhythmic patterns and pitch. The children will focus on the composer Prokofiev and how his music complements the story, Peter and the Wolf.

Life Skills

The children will continue to focus on the Five Ways of Wellbeing. They will develop their ability to talk about both positive and negative emotions and how these emotions can affect those around us.