

### **This Terms News**

PE Days are Mondays (5M) and Tuesday (5H) this term and we will be doing dance and cricket.

Please make sure your child has suitable trainers and something warm to wear for outdoor sessions. School kits will be washed regularly in school.

Homework will continue to be given out on a weekly basis and will be linked to the topics we will be covering.

Spellings will be sent home on a Monday night and children will be tested on these on a Friday.

**As Scientists we will:** Compare and group materials based on their properties. We will learn about solids, liquids and gasses along with reversible and irreversible changes. We will apply this knowledge to consider how materials were used during the Roman era including: Lime- concrete/making ink from soot from a candle; Dissolving – use of lead to make wine which led to poisoning and separating – evaporating water from brine springs to make salt.

**As Geographers we will:** look at the features of volcanoes. We will learn all about tectonic plates and how the earth is formed. We will in particular look at Mount Vesuvius and Pompeii and why people would want to live near these.

### **As Artists and Designers we will:**

Research classical architecture from the Roman era and consider the varying styles. We will learn about the techniques and media we can use to sketch a 3d model of a Roman forum.

### **As Authors and Readers we will:**

Explore Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo looking at the archaic vocabulary and features. We will use role play and signifiers to rehearse a rewritten version of the story and eventually create our own versions from another characters perspective.

### **As Historians we will:**

As Historians, we will explore the Roman Empire. We will look into the amazing achievements of the Romans including their impact on housing, roads, numbers and language, as well as, achievements of Julius Caesar and how the invasions impacted Britain both then and now.

### **As Musicians we will:**

We will listen to Adele, Make you feel my love. We will use this song to help our understanding of different genres of music, finding the pulse of a song, and how different songs are made up. We will then sing and use glockenspiels to perform the song.

## **Year 5** **Spring Newsletter**

### **Curriculum News**

This term, our topic is 'Romans'

#### **Important dates:**

Roman 'SPARK' Day (Date TBC)

Bikeability 5th February 2024

World Book Week 7th March 2024

### **As Mathematicians we will:**

Use concrete, pictorial and abstract representations to support our understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages. We will deepen our understanding of equivalent fractions and finding fractions of amounts. As well as this, we will compare, order and as always solve lots of tricky problems!

### **Through PE we will:**

Make our own dances linking movements to create a sequence. We will also develop our agility, balance and coordination to support us in playing cricket.