

Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term ~ Class 3 (Y3/4)

Welcome back to school and to the Summer Term!

In order for you to feel clear about the teaching and learning intentions for the Summer 2023, I hope that you find this overview helpful.

This term the specific focus will be on historical learning – Roman Rule – but of course, all subjects will be included.

During this learning, we will learn to use primary and secondary sources of information to learn about whom the Romans were and where they came from as well as identify features of Roman entertainment, Roman gladiators, the Roman Army and the main Emperors of Rome. They will explore key concepts related to ‘invading’ and ‘settling’ and understand what made the Roman Army so powerful and formidable, as well as understanding the factors that led to the fall of the Roman Empire. I want the children to see how the Romans have influenced our lives today. The class will investigate the significance of Mosaic Art in Roman times and experiment with this technique.

English work will include narrative, poetry, recounts, scripts and speech writing. All the texts we share will support the learning of subject vocabulary and help the children develop their reading fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary skills. This term will also see a greater focus on the importance of spelling and spelling rules as this is an area we can improve our skills in.

Mathematics work will focus further on fractions, moving into further work on measures of length, mass and capacity. This will be followed by money, telling time, properties of 2D and 3D shape and statistics.

There will be a focus on learning multiplication tables, especially for the Year 4 children as they will be completing the national Multiplication Tables Check (MTC). I hope that you will continue to use TTRockstars and Prodigy, which will be tailored to back up what is happening in class. I ask that you please help your children with this as practice makes perfect.

Other curriculum areas:

- Science work will be the science of Sound and Forces.
- Art will investigate the importance of mosaic designs and what they depicted.
- RE will involve learning about Big Questions in Christianity.
- PHSE/RSE will follow the Jigsaw program ‘Relationships’ and ‘Changing Me’.
- Music will involve learning about Rhythm and Timbre.
- French will be learning vocabulary and sentences related to the calendar and time.
- Computing lessons will be developing coding and programming skills.
- In PE, the children will be undertaking activities with our sports provider MSP. The children will be developing skills, control, coordination and teamwork through striking and fielding games and athletics.

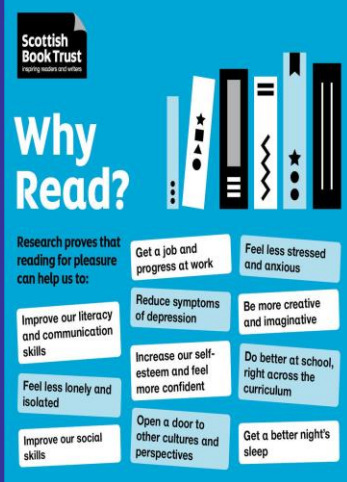
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Update:

- Thank you for continuing to engage with Class Dojo to keep up to date with what is happening in school. Please check the ‘Class Story’ and ‘School Story’ updates which give a window into the classroom. This will keep you informed about everything happening in school.
- Your child has their Prodigy, TTRockstars and ReadTheory login in their Reading Diary. Please use these resources several times a week, as it is **proven** to have a hugely positive impact on children’s achievement.

Messages:

- Times Tables will be checked every **Monday** or **Tuesday** each week – please support your children’s practice.
- P.E will take place on **Thursday**. For PE, earrings **must** be removed and long hair **must** be tied back securely.
- Please ensure that your child comes to school on that day in labelled school PE kit.
- Please listen to your child read 3-4 times a week for 10mins, or ensure they read independently. It makes a huge difference to their learning.
- We all value your ongoing support in helping your children continue to learn and develop.



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