

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM FEDERATION

Year 4 Spring I Newsletter 2023

Happy New Year from the Year 4 Team!





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TEACHING ASSISTANTS AND SUPPORT STAFF





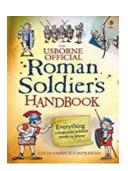




Miss Dokyi Mrs Farajallah Mr Watson Miss Climance

Topic Overview & Key Texts

This half term, we will go back in time with our key historical non-fiction texts to study the Romans in Britain. We shall be learning all about the life of Roman soldiers and how the Romans influenced and invaded Britain. Our Design and Technology work will be based on 'Food.' Children will learn about varieties of bread and we shall be baking Roman bread.





Maths

This half term, children will be expected to apply their knowledge of the four operations, and we will focus on multiplication and division, recognising and solving problems with fractions and decimals and solving problems with money using the decimal notation.

Regular times table practise will continue to be a focus. It is an expectation that by May, all children know all of their times tables and have rapid recall of them in random order. Children must practise daily at home.

Writing

Children will learn to write a **diary entry** from the point of view of a Roman soldier. We shall also be learning about Boudicca and the Celts in Britain and will write a **persuasive speech** from the point of view of Boudicca.

Reading

Each day we will use high quality texts to build the children's reading skills. Where possible we will relate these to our **Romans** topic. This half term, we shall be focusing on developing the children's comprehension skills though exploring various question types.











Reading Books

Children are still expected to read **every day**. Reading records and reading books need to be brought back to school every day and will be checked on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for comments.

Swimming Lessons

In Year 4, all children will continue to attend swimming lessons on Tuesdays. Children must have the correct swimming kit in school every Monday ready to go swimming on Tuesday. Earrings and any other jewellery is not allowed to be worn on swimming days. These items must be removed by parents/carers at home.

Year 4 Dates & Routines

School re-opens for all pupils on Wednesday 4th January 2023

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Reading book:	Reading book	Reading book:	Reading book	Reading book:
checked for		checked for		checked for
comment	Swimming	comment		comment
	lessons continue			
	to be every			Spelling Test and
	Tuesday. Please			new spellings
	bring correct kit;			given – see
	towel, swimming			seesaw
	kit, swimming			
	cap (girls)			Praise Postcard
				Assembly
				Green Treat in
				school!

Homework

Due to the success of Seesaw, we will continue to use it this year to set **maths** and **spellings** homework every week.

Your child will receive a home **reading** book on their first day back. We expect children to read every day and write in their **reading journal** at least 3 times a week.

Key Dates:

Spring Term

Tuesday 3rd January 2023 Wednesday 4th January 2023

Friday 17th February 2023

Staff Training Day

School Re-opens at 8:40am

School Closes at 3:15pm for Half

Term Holidays