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Out of School learning experiences

We will visit a synagogue as part of our RE learning this term. To help us understand more about life in ancient Rome, we will visit the Museum of London.

Reminders



- PE is on a Friday this term. **Swimming** is on a Tuesday. Please make sure your child brings the correct PE kit for each activity.
- **Homework:** is given out each Friday and is to be returned by the following Wednesday.



- **Reading:** It is important your child reads every day at home for at least 15 minutes. Please make time to listen to your child read and ask questions about their current book.
- **Times tables** It is important for children in year 4 to practice their times tables each day as they are expected to know all of their multiplication facts by the end of the academic year.



Punctuality: It is really important that children get into good time keeping habits from an early age. If your child is late, they miss out on the start of lessons at 9.00 which can affect their learning.

I will be out of class on a Tuesday morning for planning and assessment time and on a Wednesday afternoon for professional development.

Thank you for your continued support over the Autumn term.



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Class newsletter Year 4

Autumn term 2017

Mr. Mitchell

Lisa Wakefield

Nikki Jackson

Our curriculum theme for the whole school this term is Heritage. In Year 4, we will be learning about life in Ancient Rome throughout the Autumn term. Our class text for Autumn 2017 is The Thieves of Ostia from Caroline Lawrence's 'Roman Mysteries' series.

PSED

This term we will be reflecting on the values from our Colvestone acrostic poem using it to set personal targets for the term. We will use the values to help us prepare for Year 4 in relation to our own learning. We will learn about team work and the importance of working together to help others.

English

Writing:

This term we will be looking at instructions and writing to inform. We will link this to art from Ancient Rome. We will also be learning about biographies of famous people from the Roman times and we will produce our own examples.

Reading:

We will share our class novel and practice our reading skills including summarizing, predicting and investigating.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar:

Through our spelling and grammar sessions we will focus on a number of technical elements of the language such as word classifications, pronouns and tense.

Mathematics



Number:

In Maths this term we will focus on our mental strategies and arithmetic throughout our maths lessons. We will be looking at place value for numbers up to 10,000 and work on adding and subtracting within this range. We will look at our recalling of times table facts and use mental and written strategies within multiplication and division.

Shape, Space and Measure:

We will be learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. We will investigate measurements, position and time linking the learning to the topic.



History, Science and Religious Education

Through our Topic work, we will investigate the Ancient Roman period through first hand interaction with a number of artefacts. We will discover how history can be used in the context of jobs and we will discuss the similarities and differences to our lives and that of the Ancient Romans.

We will also explore Heritage through creative subjects.

Our **Religious Education** topics are *how does the synagogue show what is important to Jews and how do those who believe build a relationship with God?* We will use religious symbols and artefacts to investigate these questions.

Physical Education : Swimming and Sport.



In the Autumn term we will learn a variety of strokes during our swimming lessons. We will focus, in PE, on team sports and using skills such as throwing and catching in order to take part in these sports.

Creative Development, Computing and Design

This term we will create our own replica Roman art work including student wall paintings and mosaics.

In House Time, children will complete computer programming projects using the Scratch coding language. The children will follow step-by-step tutorials from CodeClub.org which will be pitched at their stage of programming experience. We will also learn agricultural tips within the Gardening programme during this term.

