

Literacy

Myths and Legends - The children will read a range of Roman myths, identifying and discussing the common themes and features, before planning and writing their own version of a familiar myth.

Non Chronological Reports – The children will explore different aspects of life in Ancient Rome by reading a range of non-fiction texts. This research will be used to plan and construct paragraphs for their own factual non-chronological reports.

Poetry – The children will have the opportunity to read and recite various forms of poetry and explore the effect of language used before writing and performing their own poems.

History

The children will be introduced to the Roman Empire, initially researching, through various sources and artefacts, what life was like for Roman citizens they will then investigate the expansion of the Roman Empire. This will culminate in learning about the reasons for the Roman invasion of Britain and the effects that this, and the subsequent settlement, had on the country.

Art

The children will investigate patterns from different times and cultures. They will use ideas from these as a starting point for developing their own designs and then investigate stencilling and print-making techniques, exploring ways of combining and organising shapes, colours and patterns. The children will also create their own mosaic based on their understanding of Ancient Rome.

Design Technology

The children will learn about stiffening materials and making stable structures through the context of free standing photograph frames.

Numeracy

The children will work on place value, partitioning three digit numbers, as well as ordering and rounding numbers. They will develop strategies for mental and written calculation of the four operations and will apply their knowledge to solve real life problems involving money. They will develop an understanding of time and related vocabulary. They will also measure and compare objects using metres and centimetres. In addition they will learn to classify and describe 2D and 3D shapes referring to their properties and symmetry.

Geography

We will be using maps and globes to look at different parts of the world. Observing how the world has changed through the different periods in time. Children will discover which countries formed the Roman Empire and the reasons for why these settlements were important to the Romans.

What did the Romans do for us?

Spring Term Year 3

PE

The children will enjoy and learn team games and develop skills and tactics. Through gymnastics they will create and perform fluent sequences on the floor and using apparatus.

Topic Day

During the 'Roman Day' the children will experience the food, fashion and entertainment that the Romans had.

Places to Visit

Lullingstone Castle
The Museum of London

Science

Light & Shadows – The children will learn about different sources of light, and that we need light to see. The children will develop their scientific enquiry skills, making observations, predictions and conclusions as they investigate reflective materials and the properties of light.

Helping Plants to Grow Well – During this topic the children will learn what plants need to grow well and why it is important that they do. Investigate and evaluate

ICT

The children will learn how to use different internet resources effectively and safely before using their research to build their own databases.

They will also continue with computer programming as they research, plan, design and build their own interactive computer game.

RE

Called to Change – We will be exploring the concept of forgiveness and learn about the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Eucharist – We will be learning about prayers which are said at mass. We will also be beginning to understand that at the consecration the bread and wine become the body and blood of Christ.

Music

The children will participate in composing, singing and playing instruments with music teacher Mrs Ley.