Mathematics

We will be moving our mathematics skills forward further into the year 3 curriculum. The curriculum has a heavy focus on place value and number calculation. We will be applying our skills to larger numbers, looking at different ways of calculating and using the relationships between the calculations to check our answers. We will be learning about fractions including equivalent fractions. We will also be learning about 2D shape and angles in geometry and perfecting telling the time in measures!

D&T/Art

In DT we will first be focusing on food technology. We will be designing and making pizzas, using our findings from surveys to inform our designs and making sure they are healthy. We will then go on to making Roman shields and catapults, thinking about the best materials and tools for the job.

Science

Our topic for Science will be Forces and Magnetism. We will be investigating how different things move and how different surfaces affect movement. This will link to our work on Roman roads. We will be investigating how magnets work and why they work in the way they do.

PSHE

In PSHE we are focussing on 'new beginnings'. We will be discussing being responsible, working as a team and completing challenges. We will also be spending time in these lessons linking our Christian values to friendship.

Literacy

In Literacy there will be a non-fiction focus as we research Italy and the Ancient Romans. We will be looking at the features of the text types. Dictionaries will be used to look up the meaning of new vocabulary. We will then be planning and writing our own non-fiction texts, using organisational features such as paragraphs and sub-headings. Our grammar focus will be verbs, adverbs and adverbials. We will also be looking at basic punctuation to reinforce what has been previously taught in KS1. Spellings will follow the programme sent home with the Spelling pack. We will be reading a range of text types in group reading as well as sharing a range of fiction books with links to ancient Rome as our whole class reader.

History

In History are going to be learning about the Ancient Romans and in particular their invasion of Britain. We will find out about the events of the invasion and also look at what the Romans did for us. We will use a range of sources to find out our information, as well as visiting a Roman site.

Computing

In Computing we will start the term looking at what it is to be safe online and how to protect ourselves online. We will also be searching for information about Italy and the Ancient Romans to create leaflets and newspaper reports.

Music

In Music we will be performing as a class with instruments and out voices. **French** French lessons will continue with Mrs Sturm.

P.E. In P.E we will be swimming at Warminster pool. During games we will be improving our hockey skills.

Religious Education

In RE we will be learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali. Our focus will be on the story of Rama and Sita and how Diwali is celebrated. We will be thinking about how the festival would make a Hindu child feel.

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Geography

In Geography we will be locating Italy using maps and globes. We will be finding out about the country in the present day. We will then travel back in time to Ancient Rome to compare, as well as looking at the journey the Romans made to invade Britain.