

Year 3



Broughton Community Schools

CLASS NEWSLETTER

Ancient Romans

Throughout the topic, we will learn how the Ancient Romans built a powerful empire and invaded Britain in AD 43. They built roads, towns, forts, and baths, and brought new ways of living. Roman soldiers lived in forts, and many people in Britain began to follow Roman customs. One famous event was Boudicca's revolt. Boudicca was the queen of the Iceni tribe who led a rebellion against the Romans because they treated her people badly. Her army destroyed Roman towns such as Camulodunum (Colchester), but the Romans eventually defeated her. The Romans ruled Britain for nearly 400 years. This period is important because it changed Britain forever, and Roman buildings, roads, and ideas still influence life today.

We have lots of exciting experiences to look forward to in our new topic, including a Roman workshop. To finish the topic, we would love to invite parents to an assembly and show off the work we have done and celebrate and what we have learnt. We look forward to seeing the children's brilliant project homework this term too.

If you would like to contact us, you can email us on our school email addresses:

Albatross Class (Mrs Kemp) albatross@broughton.bucks.sch.uk

Penguin Class (Mrs Ratcliffe) penguin@broughton.bucks.sch.uk

English:

Summer 1:

Purpose: to inform

Outcomes: biography and instructional writing

Text: You wouldn't want to be a Roman Gladiator by John Malam

Julius Caesar by Rachel Firth

Summer 2:

Purpose: to entertain

Outcomes: narrative and informal letter

Texts: The Green Ship by Quentin Blake

Maths: Capacity, fractions, money, time, angles and properties of shape, statistics

Science: plants, forces and magnets

Geography: revision and retrieval practice

History: Ancient Romans

PSHE: Relationships and Changing Me

PE: cricket and athletics

RE: Sikhism, Sanatnana Dharma (Hindu)

Computing: Programming and Scratch, Online safety

Learning Behaviour: Friendship and resilience

Timetable

Start: 8:40am

Finish: 3:15pm

PE

Tuesday & Friday (swimming)

Children will come into school in PE kits. All children must have a white top or house colour, black or navy shorts. Trainers, black or navy joggers and jumpers will be required for outdoor PE. Please remember a swimming hat, swimming costume/ trunks and towel for Friday swimming.

Forest School

Thursday- all children need wellies and a waterproof coat.

Equipment:

Children must have a named water bottle and waterproof coat in school every day. All equipment is provided. Please remember a sun hat and sun cream.

Snacks:

Healthy snacks are encouraged, e.g. Fruit and cereal bars. No sweets, chocolate or crisps please. Please help us to be careful of nut allergies and not send any nut products to school. Children also require a spill proof bottle of water. No fruit juice - only still water please.

Homework:

Reading - You should read with your child at least 5 times a week at home.

Spellings - Sent out on a Monday and tested on the Monday after.

TT Rockstars- Use TT Rockstars to practise times tables. Children will be tested through the '99 club' on a Friday.

Topic homework:

There is a topic homework sheet attached. We would like the children to choose at least one piece to do and bring in to share with the class.

TT Rockstars- Children should concentrate on learning number facts, using Times Table Rock Stars (www.ttrockstars.com) They will then be tested during the '99' club.

Dates

Start school: Monday 13th April
Roman Workshop: Date to be confirmed
Half term: Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May
Staff training day: Monday 1st June
Roman assembly to parents (Date to be confirmed)
Break up for summer: Wednesday 22nd July

Our Team

Mrs Kemp (Albatross Class teacher)
Mrs Ratcliffe (Penguin Class teacher)
Miss Brackley (LSA)
Miss Flanagan (LSA)

Thank you for your support
Year 3 team

With an adult, find a picture of a Roman soldier. Print the image then label their clothing and armour.

Use a range of sources to create a timeline, showing the chronology of the Roman Empire from 753 BC to AD 476. Highlight the dates that show when the Romans were in Britain.

Find out about the everyday lives of children in ancient Rome, using a selection of historical source materials. Write an imaginative diary entry, from the point of view of a Roman child, that includes correct historical information.

Use a range of historical source materials to find out how the Roman invasion transformed the lives of the Celtic Britons. Use the information gathered to write a short non-chronological report with the title 'How the Romans changed Britain'.



Put these people into a diagram to show the hierarchy of ancient Rome:

Emperor, slaves, plebeians and freed people, patricians, equites

Write a short paragraph to describe the different roles that these people played in Roman society.

Visit the Roman Vindolanda Fort & Museum website to find out about artefacts and tablets found at Vindolanda, near Hadrian's Wall. Explore the website to gather information and organise your findings in a Vindolanda knowledge organiser.

Emperors and Empires

By AD 410, Roman troops had left Britain and returned to Rome. Find out about the impact of the Roman withdrawal and write a short descriptive account, blog or presentation to explain what happened.

The Romans worshiped many different gods. Find out about these gods and write a short profile about each one:

Jupiter Diana Pluto Mars Juno

Useful websites

Roman Vindolanda Fort & Museum
Roman Britain – BBC Bitesize
DKfindout! – Romans
Day in the Life of a 10-year-old in Roman Britain – BBC Hands on History

Good reads

Title	Author	ISBN
What the Romans Did For Us (From Takeaways to Motorways)	Alison Hawes	9781408112861
Romans on the Rampage	Jeremy Strong	9780141357713
Rotten Romans (Horrible Histories)	Terry Deary	9781407163840
Ancient Rome (Eyewitness)	DK	9780241187753
See Inside Ancient Rome (An Usborne Flap Book)	Katie Daynes	9780746070031
The Romans: Gods, Emperors and Dormice	Marcia Williams	9781406354553