



Maples Class' Term 4 Newsletter

'How did the Romans change Britain?'



Dear Maple Class families,

Welcome back to Term 4 - we hope you all had a lovely half term break. This term, we are focusing on the Romans and their impact on Britain. We will be reading 'Escape to Pompeii' by Christina Balit to help us write diary entries and narratives. Following on our learning from last term about volcanoes, we will be learning about how Vesuvius destroyed the city of Pompeii. In science this term, we will be learning all about plants. We are hoping to go on a school trip linked to our scientific enquiry work and will write to you with all of the details soon.

Homework

Reading	Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and ensure that their reading record is signed and dated by an adult. A member of staff will be checking reading diaries on a Friday. To ensure the children are making good progress on Lexia please encourage your child to complete at least one session at home per week.
Maths	New maths homework is set on a Tuesday and needs to be in by Monday. The activities can be found in your child's homework book.
Times Tables	Each child has a Times Table Rock stars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) three times a week.
Grammar	Spellings tests are on a Monday and new spellings for the week will be set on a Tuesday. Grammar homework will be set fortnightly on a Tuesday. Continuing with this learning at home really helps the children retain the vocabulary and terminology we are learning in school.

Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term:

- Why did the Romans invade Britain?
- Who is Boudica and why is she famous?
- What is Good Friday and why do Christians celebrate it?
- What do plants need to survive?
- Can you name any parts of a plant?

Key Topic Vocabulary

Britain	Romans	invade	settle	conquer	chariot	shield		
Villa	fraction	decimal	healthy	leaf	leaves	growth	water	petal
		nutrients	pollination	dispersal	fertilise			
		Nutrients	Good Friday	resurrection				

Reminders - Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day with fresh water; ensure all jumpers are **labelled** and bring a coat for any wet weather. Our PE days are Mondays and Fridays; on these days, the children should come to school dressed in their PE kit. This term, our Forest School session will take place on Wednesday March 6th.

Many thanks for your support,

Mr Lulham and Ms Taiclet

'How did the Romans change Britain?' - Learning Map

<p>Literacy</p> 	<p>Diary writing</p> 	<p>Narrative</p> 	<p>Factfile</p> 
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>Fractions</p> 	<p>Decimals</p> 	<p>Length and perimeter</p> 
<p>Science</p> 		<p>Plants</p> 	
<p>Art</p> 	<p>Creating Pompeii animals from clay</p> 		
<p>History</p> 	<p>How did the arrival of the Romans change Britain?</p>  	<p>Why did the empire fall?</p> 	
<p>PSHE</p> 	<p>Healthy Me</p> 		
<p>Computing</p> 		<p>Logo and Hardware investigators</p> 	
<p>RE</p> 	<p>Why do Christians call the day that Jesus died 'Good Friday'?</p> 		
<p>French</p> 		<p>La date <i>(The date)</i></p>	
<p>Music</p> 		<p>Putting music to words</p> 	
<p>P.E.</p> 	<p>Tennis</p> 		