



# Our Year 4 Classroom News

## Autumn Term Information

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### Welcome

Hello and welcome to all of our new Year 4 children and parents. We are very excited and looking forward to what is sure to be another fantastic year filled with opportunities for learning and making new friends!

We kick-start Year 4 with our Autumn term topic called **Veni Vidi Vici (I came, I saw, I conquered)** where we will be exploring the world of the Romans.

Miss Walker, Miss Maynard, Miss Bentley and the team

### Our Topic

Over the course of the Autumn term, we will explore these exciting learning questions:

- When and how was Rome founded?
- Who ruled the Roman Empire and how did they do it?
- What religious beliefs did the Romans have?
- What was life like for women and children?
- What did Roman soldiers wear and what was life like in the Roman Army?
- What impact did the Roman Empire have on different people?
- Who was Emperor Hadrian?
- What were Roman Baths?



**In English**, we will be writing character descriptions, diary entries and newspaper reports. We will be using drama throughout the term to support our writing, becoming journalists to report on news from Roman times and performing poems that we have read and love.

**In Maths**, we will be focusing on place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, as well as measures (learning about time and length) and geometry (exploring shapes). We will be regularly applying our problem solving and reasoning skills too.

**In Science**, we will learn about sound, including how it is made, how it travels, thinking about sound vibrations and we will explore making sounds on a range of objects that aren't instruments.

### Things to Remember

#### PE:

Year 4 PE days are on Mondays and Thursdays. They will need their Indoor PE kit on a Monday and their outdoor kit on a Thursday.

**Please note:** On Thursdays, please can you wear your P.E. kit into school and bring your uniform with you to change into.

#### Homework:

- **Reading Journals** – You must read everyday for twenty minutes and also complete one reading journal entry per week. This needs to be completed and handed in by **Tuesday** each week.
- Every week the children will complete a **times table task** in their workbooks.
- **Topic** (History and Geography) – Design a project linked to our topic. You may choose any element of Roman history that interests you to focus on. Speak to us if you need some ideas or suggestions.

### Important Dates

4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Children back to school
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Meet the Teacher at 9am KS2 Hall
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Launch Day
17 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Knightsbridge Crofton Roman Villa trip
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Covent Garden and Angel Crofton Roman Villa trip
15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents Evenings
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	We Scare Hunger
1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Black History Month Exhibition
17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y4 and 5 Christmas Production

15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Covent Garden class assembly
20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Knightsbridge class assembly
10 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Angel class assembly