

Newsletter: Summer 1 2025 Year 4 We are warriors!



Welcome to the summer 1 half term

Welcome back. We hope you had a fantastic Easter break. This is an action packed, Roman themed half term. We know the children are extremely excited about the residential visit to York in June and so are we. We cannot wait to participate in lots of Roman themed activities, which we are sure the children will thoroughly enjoy. We look forward to giving you all the information at our information evening. You will be informed of the date of this soon.

Our Learning Theme

This half term our exciting Roman Britain topic explores the struggle for power between Boudicca and the Romans and the lasting impact the Romans have had on Britain. Our activities in York will provide the children with an insight into the culture, beliefs and lifestyle of a Roman soldier.

Important Dates:

FOSPS Sponsored Colour Run Wednesday 30th April 2025 School closed for Bank holiday

Monday 5th June York Residential information meeting

York Residential

Monday 9th June - Tuesday 10th June

Homework

Maths and spelling homework will continue to be sent home weekly, every **Thursday**. Spelling tests will continue to be held on the following Friday morning. We would appreciate any help you could give your child in becoming confident and fluent in their maths and spelling targets. In addition, please could you encourage your child to practise their times tables either verbally or by using TTRockstars online. Any practise ahead of the MCT next half term, will be beneficial and greatly appreciated. The children will be reading in class every day, however, we would appreciate it if you could listen to your child read at home too.

Learning Log

The final Learning Log activity for this year will be sent home on Thursday 15th May for your child to complete. This learning log should be returned to school by Thursday 19th June (to showcase all of our hard work.) Children are encouraged to follow their own line of enquiry linked to our Roman theme.

PE Days

Swimming, swimming and more swimming - daily $\stackrel{\cdot \cdot \cdot}{\cdot \cdot}$

We are so lucky to have swimming every day this half term so we will all hopefully be confident and safe swimmers by the end of these 5 weeks. We thank you for supporting your child with bringing everything they need for swimming including a swimming cap or bobbles for long hair to be tied back.

Curriculum Maths

English In English, we will start by exploring the life of Boudicca and her Battlecry. Then we will be looking at Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, creating our own independent narrative.

During our maths lessons this half term, we will begin by comparing decimals with two decimal places, rounding decimals with one decimal place to the nearest whole number and recognising and writing decimal equivalents for common fractions and decimal numbers. We will also estimate, compare and calculate money in pounds and pence. We will then apply what we have learnt during the half term to solve simple measure and money problems involving fractions and decimals to two decimal places.

In our science unit we will be continuing investigating electricity and how it works before revisiting and exploring all living things. The children will be learning about how changes in habitat can impact plant survival and presenting findings on human impact on plants.

Science

Art & DT This half term we will design our own Roman forts where we will learn about nets and the strength of materials.

Computing In computing, we will continue to develop our skills in computing alonaside our rehearsals for the times table check.

During this half term, we will investigate what it was that drew the Romans to Britain with a focus on types of settlement, land use, trade links and the distribution of natural resources. We will discover what life was like during their occupation and find out about the lasting impact that they had on Britain. We will also find out why the Romans left Britain and who followed in their footsteps.

History & Geography



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Other:	Year Four Team
In music the children will be listening and appraising - Blackbird. In PHSE the topic is Being our best, making safe choices and celebrating diversity will be our themes.	Earhart Class – MIss Toner and Mr Hutchinson Fiennes Class - Mrs Liddle and Mrs Aiman
In French the children will be learning all about animals this half term with Madame Thakker during SPS University sessions!	