

Year 4

Summer 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the summer 1 half term. This is an action packed, Roman themed half term. We know the children are extremely excited about the residential visit to **York (4J 15th -16th May & 4M 16th-17th May)** and we are sure they will have a fantastic time. If you have any questions regarding the trip please contact a member of the Year 4 Learning Team.

The Easter learning log task is due in by **Monday 23rd April**, if you have questions or concerns about your child's learning log, please speak to your child's class teacher. The next learning log task will be sent home on **Friday 18th May** a week before the end of the half term on **Friday 25th May**.

Our main topic this half term is the Romans, their occupation of Britain and the lasting effects that they had on Britain. Through outdoor learning on **Monday 30th April (4M), Tuesday 1st May (4J) and 23rd May** we will recreate some Roman inventions. In computing we will be using 3D modelling software to create 3D representations of Roman buildings.

Our English work will be based on Roman gladiators. We will start by writing gladiator handbooks. Then we will write about a gladiator's thoughts and feelings during the training process, before entering the arena and writing a battle report in the style of a sports reporter.

Thank you for helping your child learn last half term's spellings. Spellings for this half term are listed below.

Summer 1 Spellings

potatoes	purpose	separate	though	through
pressure	reign	although	thought	various

During our maths lessons this term we will begin with decimal numbers. We will recognise and write decimal equivalents of any number of tenths or hundredths, compare decimals with two decimal places, round decimals with one decimal place to the nearest whole number and recognise and write decimal equivalents for common fractions. Next we will be working with money in pounds and pence and solving money problems to build on our work with decimals and fractions. Finally we will be reading, writing and converting between analogue and digital 12 and 24-hr clocks and solving problems involving converting hours to minutes, seconds to minutes, days to weeks, months to years.

Thank you for continuing to help your child with their maths learn by heart targets the dates for this half term are listed below. Due to the York residential trip we have allowed more time for the second learn by heart target.

Book sent home	Book to be returned to school
Friday 20 th April	Wednesday 2nd May
Friday 4 th May	Wednesday 23rd May

In science we will explore the properties of the three key states of matter: solid, liquid and gas and set up enquiries about matter changing from one state to another. Our science unit of work will also provide us with the opportunity to work on our interpretation of data and graphing skills.

PE will continue to take place on Thursday (indoors) with a focus on yoga and gymnastics, and Fridays (outdoors) with cricket and tennis in preparation for a cricket tournament at the beginning of May and a tennis tournament at the end of May. We would like to thank you again for your continued support in ensuring children attend school in the correct PE kit on those days.

Kind regards,

Miss Jacklin & Mrs Morrow