

KEY STAGE 2 Home Learning Projects

3/4S 3/4F 3/4J

The children in Key Stage two will be taking part in 'Creative Homework Projects' that we would like them to complete over the coming weeks. The project for this half term is I am Warrior a study of the Romans.

We look forward to seeing the results and would like the children to bring their completed projects into school the week ending Friday 20th May 2016 so that they can share and celebrate each other's talents before the end of term. We would ask that this project reflects six weeks' worth of work, and demonstrates the children's own work, although we really appreciate your support in helping them complete their homework.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Stacey, Mrs Wainman and Mrs Thomas

Mrs Foley and Mrs Fannon

Mrs Russell-Jones and Miss Moore

<u>Roman maths</u>	<u>Let's jet off to Rome</u>	<u>Be a historian</u>
Learn Roman numerals and write some calculations using Roman numerals for your friends to solve.	Look at holiday brochures and online to find out about modern day Rome as a tourist destination. What tourist attractions would you visit? What is the weather like? Where else would you fly in Italy?	Look at Roman artefacts in detail at a local museum. Create a PowerPoint presentation showing the ones which interested you the most and information about them.
<u>Roman research</u>	<u>Roman remains</u>	<u>Be a Roman Soldier</u>
Research Roman life using books from your local library. Which were the most useful? Recommend the best one to your classmates.	Try to find a map of Roman Britain. Find out some of the names of towns and cities. What are their modern names?	Write a diary entry as if you are a Roman soldier, a slave in a Roman Villa or a Celtic child. What is your typical day like?
<u>Latin lingo</u>	<u>Villa building</u>	<u>Gods and Goddesses</u>
Use an online translation tool to write well-known phrases in Latin, the language of the Romans. Perhaps you could write a birthday (or seasonal) greeting.	Create a Roman Villa out of junk materials such as cereal boxes. Use online images and pictures in non-fiction books to inspire the layout of your villa.	Make a drawing of a Roman God or Goddess. Write a factfile or information about them.

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Mrs Stacey, Mrs Jones, Mrs Davidson, Mrs Fannon, Mrs Wainman, Miss Moore and Mrs Thomas

Maths

How can you help your child in maths?

Here are some great ideas.

- The children are getting really good at telling the time to the nearest minute but any chance you get to work on this would really help. It is a lifelong skill and one that needs constant rehearsal.
- Times tables is as always a focus. The children are moving through the 99 club, but again this lifelong skill needs practice.
- We have done lots of work on the four rules of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Ask your children to show you the method they use for each of these. If you are unsure please come and ask Mrs Stacey who will gladly go through them with you.
- RF and SS Sets are being given homework to support them, and we would appreciate your support in helping your children with this. It is sent home Fridays and due in the following Wednesday.

Special sessions!

PE coaching continues for all KS2 children on Wednesdays and 3/4F will continue their French on Tuesdays. 3/4 S will be taking their DT lessons at Catshill Middle School for the next four weeks. The remaining Year 4 children who haven't yet been swimming will be going to Dolphin Centre for swimming lessons

As always please ensure PE kits are always in school to enable your child to benefit from these sporting opportunities.

Our topic this half term is I am Warrior!

Welcome back to the first half of the summer term where we will be learning all about the Roman invasion of Great Britain and the effect of this on the British way of life. We will be developing our speaking and listening skills by debating whether or not it was a good thing to allow the Roman invasion. The children will be launching the topic by re-enacting the Roman invasion of Britain and the Celts attempts at defending themselves.

English

How can you help your child in English?

Here are some great ideas:

- We have a reading challenge over a half term where children are expected to read 3 times a week at home.
- Talk to your child about the book you are reading, are they enjoying it? Support them to explain what they are enjoying about the book and try to compare books by the same author to explore the writing style of that author
- Focus on word types and ask your child to select the noun, verb, adjective, adverb and conjunction in the sentence you have just read. This will reinforce the grammar learning at school
- Talk to your child about what type of book they are reading. For example, is it a fiction book or a non-fiction book? Explore the contents page and index for non-fiction and characters and paragraphs and chapters for fiction books.

Topic

This term we are covering the fabulous topic about the Romans; here are some of the things we will be learning about:

- . The Roman Army and their tactics including some of the weapons they used
- . Entertainment in Roman times including gladiators and chariot racing
- . Life in Roman Britain for children
- . The technology the Romans brought to Britain including Hadrian's Wall

Unlocking the learning at home....we are looking forward to receiving some fantastic examples of home learning.

Fabulous examples of home learning are always on display in the main entrance and for any of the children who need resources to complete their home learning we can help out with supporting this. Please ask your child's class teacher if you would like support with ideas or resources for home learning; we believe it is very important that every child has the opportunity to engage with learning at home.