

### Together we will master...Reading:

- We are reading texts about the Romans to help us learn more about them.
- We will be reading poetry by Valerie Bloom.
- We will learn to make inferences and find the evidence in the text.

### Together we will master...Writing:

- Our fiction genres are fantasy and sci-fi.
- We will also be writing recounts linked to our Ancient Romans topic in history.
- We will learn how to use paragraphs to organise ideas.
- We will use fronted adverbials to help us describe.

### Together we will master...Maths:

- Numbers to 1000 :
- We will be learning how to count in steps including 25,50,100 and 1000.
- We will learn about place value
- We will learn how to round the nearest 10,100 and 1000.
- We will learn how to order and compare numbers up to 1000

### Together we will master...Science:

- We will learn about solids, liquids and gases
- We will group materials
- We will observe changes in state
- We will observe how temperature changes state, including evaporation

### Together we will master...Computing

- We are learning to programme on Purple Mash
- We are learning to use 2Code.
- We are learning how to use controls and variables.

### Together we will master...History

- We are learning about the Romans and how and why they conquered Britain.
- We are learning about who Boudicca was and what she did.
- We will understand the ways in which the romans left their mark in Britain

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### Together we will master...Music

- We will appraise and sing Mamma Mia by ABBA
- We will learn to sing with control and expression

### Together we will master...RE:

- We will learn about making commitments and promises and why they are important.
- We will learn about Judaism and their practices.

### **What can you do to support your child?**

Practise times tables/ weekly spellings

Read with your child daily

Ask children questions about the book they have been reading

Encourage usage of Times Table Rockstars, Bug Club and Purple Mash

### Together we will master...Art:

- We are looking at the work of Pablo Picasso
- We will explore how to draw portraits
- We look at how to use bold colours to contrast against each other
- We will create a portrait in the style of Pablo Picasso.

### Together we will master...PE:

- We will be developing our football skills.
- We will learn and understand the importance of moving into space

### Together we will master...PSHE:

- We will understand how our attitude impacts on the class team
- We will understand the role of people in our school community
- We will understand how democracy works
- We will understand how groups come together to make decisions.

### Year 4 routines:

- **Spellings** – these will be given out every Monday and the children will be tested on Monday of the following week.
- **Home reading** – reading will continue on Bug Club and children have a log in for this. Children will also continue to bring a book home every Monday to read with you at home. Their bookbag needs to be back in school on the Friday ready for the new book on a Monday.
- **Purple Mash** – Children all have a personal log in which allows them to access a range of learning activities at home.
- **Times Table Rockstars** - Children have their own log in for this App allowing them to practise the times tables at home.
- **Water bottles** – Please ensure your child has a **clear water bottle, containing only water** in school every day. This must be taken home every evening to be washed and re-filled.
- **PE** – 4TW – Wednesday afternoon and 4TH – Thursday morning. Children need to come to school in their full PE kit including trainers, warm jogging bottoms and a warm top. PE will take place outside. Long hair must be tied back, and jewellery removed.

### Assistant Head and Phase leader

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### Year 4 Team

#### Teachers

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#### Teaching Assistants

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If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to us. Remember to keep an eye out for 'Marvellous Me' messages and pictures on the school's Twitter page to see what we have been doing.

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