



**Happy New Year to you all – we hope you had a wonderful break and have enjoyed time with your families. We are really looking forward to another fun and exciting term ahead, continuing the really positive Autumn term. Please see below for a brief outline of our learning for the half-term ahead. Our new topic is ‘The Romans’ which will provide lots of valuable learning opportunities.**

## Maths

### Key Units:

- Multiplication and division
  - Find factors of numbers
  - Multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000
  - Multiply and divide 2- and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number
  - Choose efficient methods to multiply
- Length and Perimeter
  - Measuring in kilometres and metres
  - Finding the perimeter of rectangles and rectilinear shapes.

## Writing

Our Key texts for this half-term are:

### **The BFG**

*Narrative – Write a description in the style of BFG and experiment with gobblefunking words.*

### **The Gut Garden**

*Write an explanation text in the style of The Gut Garden. This links with our science topic which focuses on digestion.*

## Home Learning

Please learn weekly spellings, including their meaning, by Friday each week. We will complete an activity based on these words each Friday.

Please continue enjoy reading daily at home. Spend time talking about the characters, pictures and everything that has happened in the book to really capture imagination and interest. Daily reading should be recorded in the yellow reading record which will be checked on a Friday.

Continue to practise focus times tables – you can use TT Rockstar to support this.

## History

Our overarching question is:  
*What can we remember the Romans for?*

We will be looking at where the Romans came from and comparing the differences between life in Rome and Britain.

We will also be exploring when and why the Romans invaded Britannia, and whether they were welcomed or resisted.

## Art/DT

- In Art, the children will work with modelling clay to create busts of Caesar's head – learning about the key features of sculptures and how to make the basic structure.
- The children will also have the opportunity to use their design skills to develop a Roman outfit.
- We will design and make an aqueduct that will carry water for 70cm (*Aqueduct Challenge*).

## Science

Our unit is ‘Teeth and Digestion.’  
The children will learn about:

- Why we need teeth
- What happens when we don't look after our teeth
- The different functions and parts of the digestive system.