



Year 4 Finches and Doves



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Curriculum Newsletter: Autumn 2- 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half term and had lots of fun! We are looking forward to a jam packed half term with very exciting learning. Details of our irresistible curriculum for this half-term can be found below.

Remember you can follow our X (twitter) feed and see what we are doing!

<p><u>History</u> Our history key question is 'why are the Romans so powerful and what did we learn from them?'</p> <p>We will be exploring key dates in the history of the Roman Empire, as well as the impact that they had on Britain.</p> 	<p><u>English</u> Key Text: Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit</p> <p>Our English focus will be a fiction piece of writing. We will be diving into a new key text, 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit which is an engaging picture book. We will be building on our mastery skills as we plan, sequence, section and write. The outcome of this topic will be to write the story from the perspective of the children or captain.</p>	<p><u>Maths</u> This half term, White Rose maths focuses on measurement involving area. We will also be covering multiplication and division.</p> 
<p><u>Religious Education</u></p> <p>The key questions are as follows:</p> <p>Why is Jesus described as the light of the world?</p> <p>Why do Christians believe Jesus is the son of God?</p>	<p>The book is about two friends who live in Pompeii overlooking the bay of Naples. One day, a huge volcano erupted covering the city with a layer of ash and dust.</p>	<p><u>Physical Education</u> Both classes will be taking part in gymnastic sessions with Sam. They will be working on flexibility, balance and coordination.</p>

<p><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Learners will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using tablets. Next, they will apply those skills to create a story-based animation. This unit will conclude with learners adding other types of media to their animation, such as music and text.</p>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>Our chemistry topic is Rocks. We will be conducting various experiments to investigate the different types of rocks. We will also be grouping and sorting rocks in different ways based on their simple physical appearance.</p> 	
<p><u>French</u></p> <p>We will practise conversational phrases to allow us to engage in short dialogue with each other. We will respond to instructions given in French as well as using masculine and feminine nouns.</p>	<p><u>PSHE</u></p> <p>"Celebrating difference" puzzle from our Jigsaw programme.</p>	<p><u>COAL</u></p> <p>On Tuesday afternoons the children have a fantastic opportunity for creative, outdoor and adventurous learning.</p>

Reminders

Our COAL afternoon is Tuesday. Finches have forest school in their COAL lessons this half term, and Doves have music and PE. On P.E. days, please send your children in their P.E kits, which they will stay in for the entire day on Tuesday and Friday.

Homework for maths and English will be set on Fridays, to be completed by the following Friday. Reading books should be in school every day please.

I am looking forward to a fantastic half term, thank you in advance for all your support in these matters.

Miss Flynn and Miss Baker ☺