



Year 4 Spring 1 Newsletter



Diary Dates:

Monday 5th January: term starts

Wednesday 7th January: first swimming session at Les Quennevais **(every Wednesday)**

Friday 23rd January: 4A Class assembly

Thursday 29th January: Roman Day

English:

As Readers and Writers, we will be reading 'Escape from Pompeii' and 'Leon and the place between'.

Maths:

As Mathematicians, we will be starting our multiplication and division unit and build on our understanding to be able to multiply and divide 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. Further to this, we will be looking at fractions of amounts, equivalent fractions and how to add and subtract fractions.

History:

As historians, we will be exploring the fascinating world of the Romans as part of our topic "*I Am Warrior.*" We will begin by pinpointing the Roman era, discovering when and how this powerful civilisation rose to prominence. Alongside this, we will meet the Celts - the fierce tribes who lived in Britain before the Roman invasion, and learn how their culture differed from that of the Romans. We will also be introduced to Julius Caesar, one of Rome's most famous leaders, whose ambition first brought the Romans to Britain. As we study Roman civilisation, we will uncover the many ways it has influenced life today, from language and laws to roads and buildings. We will explore what Roman houses were like, comparing grand villas with simpler homes, and take a closer look at Roman art, especially their impressive sculptures that have inspired artists for centuries. This journey will help us understand what it truly meant to be a warrior in the ancient world.

Geography

In Geography, the children will be learning about the vast Roman Empire and how it stretched across many different parts of the world. They will explore both physical and human geography, comparing climates, landscapes, and environments across the regions the Romans once ruled. By studying geographical features, the children will discover how the Romans adapted to different places and how geography influenced their expansion and daily life. This learning will help them understand how the natural world shapes human choices, and how people in the past interacted with the environment around them.

DT:

As Design Technologists, we will be looking into the technological advances since the Victorian era and be able to create our own CAMS based on the Romans.

PE:

As Sports Enthusiasts, we will be attending swimming lessons every Wednesday at Les Quennevais school with Jersey Sport. Please ensure the children bring the correct attire that day, with their swimming costume under their school uniform, towel in bag and underwear. They will also need goggles and a swimming hat. Please ensure that the children bring a water bottle and their coats on this day. If there is a reason your child cannot swim on a particular day, please inform us via email. Swimming forms part of the PE curriculum for next term, so participation is compulsory unless there is a valid reason provided by parents. If your child is not a confident swimmer, please don't worry, they will be assessed on the first day and placed into a group that matches their ability to help them progress safely and comfortably.

They will also have a PE lesson with Mr Scurr on Fridays. If there are any changes to this, we will try to give you as much notice as we are able to.

RE:

As explorers of faiths and beliefs, we will be exploring the Hindu faith and answering the question '*What do Hindus believe God is like?*'.

Computing:

As Computing Specialists, we will be looking at coding.

PSHE:

Within our PSHE curriculum, we will be looking at how we can stay healthy. Within this topic, we will discuss peer pressure, friendships groups and challenging dynamics. In addition, we will discuss how smoking and alcohol can affect our health and wellbeing.