

Y3/4 CURRICULUM INFORMATION AUTUMN 2017

I Am Warrior!

To start the new school year we will be tumbling back through time to discover how the might of the Roman Empire changed the face of our island forever.



In English, we will use the events at Pompeii to paint a picture with words, writing poetry rich with powerful description, atmosphere and metaphor and then publish this as our very own class anthology. We will look at formal writing and consider how the eruption of Vesuvius might have been reported by local journalists, engaging our audience with exaggeration and personal perspectives.



We will be adding a Latin thread to our Maths by learning Roman numerals, including how to read an analogue clock face populated with them, and how the Romans influenced the naming of the months.

In History and Geography, we will look at Roman life and the expansion of the Roman Empire. We will discover where they settled, how they interacted with native Britons or, as in the case of the tragic Boudicca, where empire and tribal opinions differed.

We will make careful observations of Roman artefacts as a starting point for our art and design work and to develop our sketching skills, designing coins and mosaics.

We will learn about life as a Roman soldier on a new and inhospitable frontier. We will learn about what the Romans actually did for us, from roads to baths, and how they explained their world through stories and myths about gods and goddesses.



*We will share our learning with family and friends on the afternoon of Friday, 20th October at a special celebration of our theme work: *Thematis Meridianus*.*

In Science, we will learn how to classify living things and explore habitats so that we can be Eco-Warriors, designing and building Bug Hotels, Toad Abodes and Hedgehog Hamlets for the school wildlife garden.

In Computing, we will learn how to stay safe on the internet and how to use green screening techniques to tell a story whilst, in French, we will learn how to greet and introduce ourselves.