

Theme title **How did the Roman invasion change Britain?**

Launch pad event **Living History Roman Workshop**



<p><b>English</b> <i>Please ensure guided reading books are brought to school daily.</i></p>	<p>This term in English, Year 5 will be learning how to write in the style of a modern author as they study Anthony Horowitz’ novel ‘Alex Rider- Stormbreaker.’ They will also be learning about poetic style. Year 6 will be studying narrative with a focus on adventure stories as well applying the skills learnt in the previous terms to their written work. We will continue to place an emphasis on improving vocabulary choices, connectives, sentence openers and punctuation (VCOP.) In Guided Reading Year 5 will be reading from a variety of genres whereas Year 6 will be focussing on a number of longer class novels. These will be more closely linked with our English lessons and children in Year 6 will follow a whole class text which they will not be bringing home. (They will be expected to read their own books at home.)</p>	
<p><b>Maths</b> <i>Maths homework is set every Thursday and should be returned to school every Tuesday.</i></p>	<p>In Maths we will focus on using and applying the mathematical skills we are learning as well as problem solving. We will develop written calculation strategies as well as focussing on improving our mental maths abilities including rapid recall of known number facts and tables.</p>	
<p><b>Science</b></p>	<p>This term we will be learning about ‘Living things and their habitats’. We will be learning how living things are classified and identify why we classify plants and animals according to common observable characteristics. We will also make our own keys in order to classify plants and identify how scientific evidence can be used to support or refute ideas and theories.</p>	
<p><b>Computing</b></p>	<p>In computing we will be learning to design, write and debug programs using algorithms. We will be using Scratch as well as a new piece of software called a Microbit to create programs.</p>	
<p><b>Geography</b></p>	<p>We will be learning which countries formed part of the Roman Empire, how the Romans built their towns in Britain and why they decided to build new roads.</p>	
<p><b>History</b></p>	<p>We will be finding out how the Roman invasion changed Britain, learning about key historical figures including Julius Caesar and Boudicca and what life was like in Britain during Roman times.</p>	<p>Cross-curricular work will include role-play, debating and balanced arguments as well as learning Roman numerals in Maths.</p>
<p><b>Art</b></p>	<p>In Art we will develop an understanding of the importance of Roman mosaics as historical evidence, and their cultural and artistic significance. We will then create a large printed mosaic style picture with a geometric border.</p>	
<p><b>Design &amp; Tech</b></p>	<p>We will be designing and making our own Roman chariots, using a range of materials. We will be learning about wheels, axles and chassis and different types of moving vehicles.</p>	
<p><b>PE</b> <i>Children will need to wear PE kits to school on their PE day.</i></p>	<p>In indoor P.E. the children will be learning ‘counter balance ‘and ‘counter tension’ routines. In outdoor P.E. we will be learning to play hockey, developing tactical skills of attacking and defending. Year 6 will continue their swimming lessons on Fridays.</p>	
<p><b>Music</b></p>	<p>We are going to be learning about Roman instruments and, having learnt a song about the Romans, we will be composing our own songs about the Romans.</p>	
<p><b>RE</b></p>	<p>Our R.E. focus will continue to be Christianity, learning about some of the teachings of Jesus and how these are applied today. We will consider examples of what Jesus said and ways that Christians respond to his teaching.</p>	
<p><b>P.S.H.E</b></p>	<p>In PSHE we will be learning about drug and alcohol awareness and the risks of smoking. We will also consider how to keep safe when ‘out and about’ on our own, including the dangers of extremism.</p>	

**Ways in which you could support next term’s curriculum at home:**

Books you could read	Places you could visit together	Other activities
Horrible Histories ‘Revolting Romans’	The Roman Museum in Canterbury Richborough Fort	N/A