



## Year 3 – Spring Term Overview

### Reading

- The children will read a wide range of texts from across the three main genres (Fiction, Non-fiction and Poetry). These include stories, non-chronological reports, instructions, biographies of notable people, including David Attenborough and picture books.
- Our class reading books are: *'Pugs of the Frozen North'* by Phillip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre and *'Charlotte's Web'* by E.B White.
- The children will focus on their reading skills including retrieval of information, inference, explaining the meaning of vocabulary, summarising and making predictions.

### Writing

- The children will write for a range of purposes, many of which have been linked to class texts or our topic of 'Roman Britain'. These include a non-chronological report on a polar bear, a character description of an Arctic monster, a retelling of *The Magic Paintbrush* by Julia Donaldson and a recount of our Romans Day.
- The children will develop their writing skills including noun phrases, fronted adverbials of time and place, speech with accurate punctuation, and co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

### Maths

- The children will cover a range of different maths skills and strategies this term.
- These include number and place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and statistics.
- The children will explore problem solving, reasoning questions and investigations, working both independently and collaboratively with others.
- The children will practise their knowledge of mental maths facts for the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and corresponding division facts.

### Wider Curriculum

- Our topic this term is 'Romans Britain'. With primarily a history focus, we will learn about why the Romans invaded Britain, whether they were made welcome and the consequences of their invasion. As part of our exploration, we will have Mrs History visiting the school to deepen our understanding about this period.
- In our RE lessons, we will learn about Islam where Muslims worship and what it is like to be a Muslim.
- In science, we will focus on 'Rocks' as well as several science enrichment sessions where we will learn about notable scientists and scientific professions.
- We will be exploring prehistoric art with a focus on creating our own cave-style pieces using a variety of mediums including charcoal.

How can I help at home?

Wider Curriculum ideas:

Carry out some online research about The Romans.

Research modern cities of Roman origin.

Reading ideas:

Share a range of stories, poems and information books.

Visit the library.

Listen to your child read at least 4 times per week.

Talk to them about books you have been reading.

Writing ideas:

Write about places you have been to

Keep a diary of important events.

Maths ideas:

Reciting times tables together

Using the club sheets to secure number facts.