

This half term our topic is

Hail Caesar!

Experiences

We look forward to celebrating our Romans Day on Wednesday 5th May; the children can dress up, we will enjoy a relaxed Roman banquet and learn about Bouddica's Rebellion through drama and role play. The children will also build bug hotels for the churchyard project during their DT day and we are planning an art day focused on our beautiful surroundings of Clyst Hydon.

English

We will be reading 'Julius Caesar', a Shakespeare story and much of our English work will be linked to this book study; the children will be writing for a range of purposes and in a range of genres, including poetry, a balanced argument, a recount and adventure story writing. The children will be practising their spellings daily, completing reading challenges and use Nessy online learning to support individual progress in reading and spelling.

Maths

Y3 will be working on fractions, time, properties of shape and measurement (mass and capacity). Y5&6 pupils will focus on decimals and then geometry (shape, position and direction) and finally converting units of measurement. We will be using the White Rose Online Resources to support our learning and teaching.

Science

The science topics for this half term is 'Animals, including Humans'. Y3 children will learn about nutrition, skeletons, bones and muscles; Y5&6 children will learn about the human life cycle, the development of babies, puberty and changes as humans get older.

Art

Through our 'Bodies' topic, the children will use pen, charcoal, felt tip, make maquettes, make paper clothes and sculpt Giacometti-inspired models. We will study the work of artists Julian Opie, Alberto Giacometti and Henry Moore.

Religious Education

Through our topic 'Commitment', the children will explore the ideas of commitment (religious and non-religious), coming of age, sacrifice, fasting and marriage.

PSHE

Through our topic, 'Think Positive', the children will understand that having a positive attitude is good for our mental health. They will explore negative thoughts and ways to cope with these, changes, mindfulness and emotions.

Music

The children will be accessing their musical learning from the Charanga Devon Music Hub. The children will explore rhythm, musical notation, pitch and harmony through the song 'The Fresh Prince of Bel Air'.

Computing

The children will use sketchup to learn how to create simple and complex 3D models. They will be able to add detail and manipulate 3D models using a variety of tools.

Physical Education

In rounders, the children will develop their throwing, catching, batting, bowling and fielding skills. In Athletics, the children will practise their throwing, jumping, hurdling and running techniques.

History

The children will learn about Roman Britain: the invasions, Roman roads, Boudicca's rebellion, Hadrian's Wall, Gods and Goddesses and Roman baths. The children will use a variety of sources of evidence to learn about the past.

French

We will be learning our French through a 'food-themed' topic, Food, Glorious Food. The children will learn the vocabulary for a range of food, to express likes and dislikes, and to count and use plural nouns.