Year 4 Parent Planner - Autumn 2023 - Ancient Rome

AREAS OF LEARNING

As **Readers** we will explore a range of text types, developing a deeper understanding and learning skills needed to deduce information using clues within the text. We will also make justified predictions and develop our questioning skills. Our class text for Term 2 is 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit.

As **Writers** we will identify key features of text types and apply them within our own writing. The key text types that we will focus on include diary entries, newspaper reports and some Christmas themed poetry.

As **Mathematicians** we will develop a deeper understanding of place value to 1000, rounding to the nearest 10 & 100. How to read and write numbers up to a hundred in Roman numerals. We will consolidate perimeter. There will also be a focus on learning all multiplication facts, introducing the 3, 6 and 9 times tables.

As **Scientists** we will continue to develop out science skills through investigations. We will consider what makes sound and how we hear sound. We will investigate sound by making pan pipes and observing our instruments before considering soundproofing.

As **Historians** we will be learning about the Ancient Romans in term 2. We will learn about their culture, daily life and impact on modern day. We will discuss significant people and events, leading into the invasion of Britain.

As **Geographers** we will develop our knowledge of where the Romans ruled. We will explore the physical landmarks of ancient Rome and the climate of the area. We will develop our Atlas and map reading skills.

As **Design Technologists** we will be designing and testing a shield to withstand a hockey ball, evaluating materials, shape and design's effectiveness.

As **Musicians** we will to learn how to play the recorder. We will also learn how to follow a beat, read musical symbols and compose our own body percussion pieces.

As **Sportspeople** we will develop our knowledge and skills in gymnastics including balance, flexibility and movement.

As **Computer Scientists** we will be focussing on audio production and produce our own audio production using software.

The key question we will investigate in RE is: 'Is it possible for everyone to be happy?' as we focus on Buddhism.