Year 4 Alder and Cedar Class

Welcome to Year 4!

We hope you have had a fabulous summer and are looking forward to the new half-term.

Year 4 Staff:

Mrs Platek

Miss Curtis

Mrs Steele

Mrs Jones

<u>P.E.</u>

Alder: Monday and Friday

Cedar: Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure children come in to school wearing the correct school P.E. kit.

English

Take a journey with Camilla across the Roman Empire through gripping adventures which reflect authentic, unsung stories of the past. This will be the inspiration for our narrative writing for this first half-term.

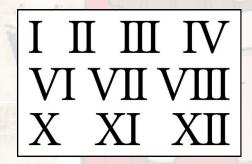
After that, we will be stepping into the shoes of a Roman warrior to write our very own battle cries! Then finally, to show off what we have learnt about the Romans, we will be presenting our knowledge in a non-chronological report.

I AM WARRIOR!

Friends and great scholars of Year 4, I am Warrior! I am strong, brave and powerful. Meet me in battle. Invade and attack. Romans versus Celts, the fight is on. Discover warring Britain: meet Claudius, Boudicca and Julius Caesar and find out what the Romans did for us. Get ready for Gladiator School and learn alongside Spartacus, a brave fighter of the Roman Colosseum. When all that battling makes you hungry, relax, lie back and feast yourself on dormice and grapes, or perhaps a roasted swan sprinkled with nuts?

<u>Maths</u>

The children begin by developing and securing place value, using numbers within 1,000 before moving onto numbers up to at least 10,000. Children will partition, combine, estimate, order and round numbers. Negative numbers and Roman numerals will also be introduced.



Religious Education

In the context of harvest, year 4 will explore religious stories and teachings about the environment and how choices can have an impact on the environment and the natural world.

<u>PSHE</u>

We will be understanding and participating in school's decision making processes linked to democratic structures and procedures, for example, school rules and councils.

PE

This half-term, we will be working on our football skills and using them in different mini games before playing short football games with all the rules! We will also be doing indoor athletics to build on previous skills, such as running, throwing and jumping with more control and precision.

Reading at home - Accelerated Reader

We are continuing to encourage the children to read their chosen book throughout the week in school and at home. Children will then complete a quiz on their chosen book to assess their understanding.

Myon can still be accessed from home. The login is the same as Accelerated Reader.

<u>Times tables</u>

Please continue to use 'Times Table Rockstars' to practise rapid recall of multiplication and division facts. Children are expected to know all of their multiplication tables (up to x12) by the end of year 4.

Spelling

Please practise the Year 3 and 4 common spelling words, a copy of this will be sent home.

Try your best to complete at least 2 pieces of homework this half term. Remember to bring your homework in to school so that we can celebrate your hard work in class.

Design and make a Roman villa!

Find a Roman recipe. Create a set of instructions for a class friend to follow.

Design a comic strip telling the story of a major event in Roman history. It should include pictures and text. Be adventurous and design and make a model of a Roman Coliseum! Create a poster showing the different events in the Coliseum or the Circus Maximus. Write an imaginative diary entry about the everyday lives of children in ancient Rome, from the point of view of a Roman child. Include correct historical information.