



Welcome to Ennis Hill's class newsletter for Spring 1, a new year and lots of new learning for us to enjoy. We have our class trip booked in for this half term, we are going to be going to Chester to learn all about the Romans. We will even be dressing up as the Roman army, marching through the streets and practising some of their army formations, it's going to be a fantastic experience!

Maths:

In maths, we will be focusing on multiplication and division. Y4 children will be working on written methods to multiply 2 digit numbers by a 1 digit number and how to divide 2 and 3 digit numbers by a 1 digit number. Y5 will also be looking at written methods for multiplication and division.

English:

This half term we will be focusing on the book 'Empire's End A Roman Story' by Leila Rasheed linked to our Romans topic. We will be working on different types of recounts including a biography and a letter.

Ways you can help at home would be to research the Roman time period to help your child understand what life was like for different people during that time.

PE:

Our PE lessons, this half term we will focus on balance and ball skills. Please can we make sure the children have their PE kits for Wednesdays and Fridays. Y5 children will need their swimming kits for Wednesdays.

DT:

This half term, the children will be designing and making their own Roman shield using appliqué and cross stitch skills.

Art:

This half term we will be replicating Munch's scream painting as we look at design in art.

Science:

The children will be exploring all about ecology. We will be looking at different habitats and food chains. We will also be exploring how we can support ecology in our own local area.

Music: We will be looking at South America and composing our own music to perform.

History:

This half term we will be Life in Ancient Rome. We will learning all about what it was like in those times, from the leisure activities of the Romans, the changes in how Rome was ran and all about Pompeii.

Geography:

The children will be looking at Eastern Europe, exploring different countries in Eastern Europe and how their climates and landscapes differ. We will also be comparing the UK to a country within Eastern Europe.

Computing:

The children will be learning about HTML on their computing day in this half term. Understanding what it is, identify it and how to use it. The computing day will be on Thursday 18th of January.

PSHE:

This unit, Citizenship, focuses on a number of aspects including; human rights, caring for the environment and community.

Class messages: This half term, our class' quote is 'Every star shines a little differently'

Important dates to remember:

1. Thursday 11th January 9am SEND coffee morning with ADHD support group speaker.
2. Thursday 11th January 3:30pm Maths workshop for Y4 parents on the multiplication check.
3. Thursday 18th January Computing Day.
4. Thursday 1st February -Class trip to Chester Dewa Museum.
4. Thursday 8th February Ennis Hill Class Showcase.
5. Friday 9th February PTFA Valentines school disco (school breaks up for half term)