

Invaders and Raiders

Year 3 Learning Newsletter | Summer Term 2



MAIN FOCUS

This topic will focus upon:

- English - where the children will write a story in the style of our rich read and a poem linked to the Roman times.
- History - where the children will explore the historical period when the Romans and then the Anglo-Saxons invaded and settled in Britain.
- Art - where the children will explore contemporary artist Grayson Perry before going on to make a Roman pot.
- Computing - where the children will use the computer programme 'Scratch' to create a Roman game.

The following are not linked to the topic:

- Science - where the children will investigate plants and their life cycles.
- PSHE - where the children will explore identity, risks and hazards.
- RE - where the children will explore the concept of wisdom.

HOOK

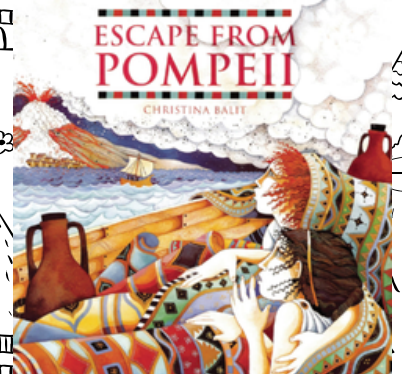
The children started their topic by exploring the Roman emperor, Julius Caesar. They learned when the Romans invaded Britain and practised Roman battle formations!

Finally, they read their new rich read before investigating the impact of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius on Pompeii.

TOPIC WORDS

Please help them to read and write these words which they will encounter throughout this topic:

empire, invasion, Italy, villa, Caesar, Claudius, settlement, sword, centurion, forum, amphora, cargo, pumice, awning



RICH READ



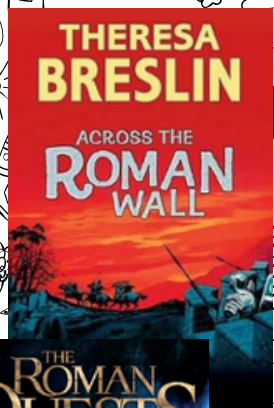
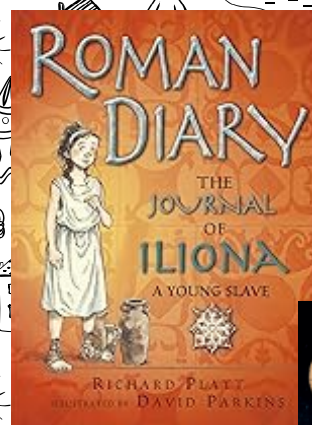
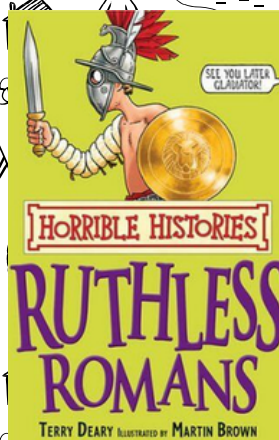
LEARNING EXPERIENCES

- English: learning Roman words, clue spotting, finding information, story writing and performing poetry.
 - History: locating key events on a timeline, investigating key people in a specific era and debating key questions.
 - Art: using different mediums, sculpting and carving.
 - Computing: decomposing and writing algorithms.
- The following are not linked to the topic:
- Science: practical investigations, recording information and creating questions.
 - PSHE: investigating ways of identifying risks.
 - RE: investigating gurus and key historical figures.

OUTCOME

Tuesday 21st July

Year 5 will be invited to Year 3 Roman Museum. Year 3 will have the opportunity to share their stories, perform their poems, display their artwork and play their Roman computer games with the Year 5 children.



If your child enjoys 'Escape from Pompeii,' they may also like:

HOME LEARNING

In Lower School, your child has two weekly home learning tasks:

- 1) Reading - due every Thursday
- 2) Times Tables - due every Friday



To complete the Space Race, they will need to read three times a week and record it in their reading diary. For times tables, they will need to play at least five games a week on TTRS.

SPELLING

Your child will be focusing upon learning these compulsory words this half term. Please help them practise at home:

guard, whole, strength, busy, position, people, before, again, rough, money, tough, everybody

