



Lime Class



Dear Parents,

Happy New Year, Everyone and welcome back!

Our theme this term is **'Power and Strength'**

We will be learning about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain at the time and the legacy it left us. Other than History, the children will acquire and practise skills in Art by making Roman busts and mosaics. In D&T, they will design and make a pair of Roman sandals and, in Geography, understand the location and extent of the Empire by looking at maps.

In Science this term, we will be studying Magnets and Forces. We will identify pushes and pulls as forces and explore how things move on different surfaces and find out about attraction and repulsion by magnetic forces and which materials are magnetic. We will look at compasses and uses of magnets and carry out some investigations using magnets.

PE this term will focus on outdoor games, taught by our Sports coach on Thursdays. Swimming for Year 3 continues until Half-Term. We will be continuing with our Gymnastics after half-term.

In Computing, we will be Coding using Scratch software. The children will learn to use simple algorithms to create a short animation. They will select characters correctly to match a scene. In addition, they will learn to animate characters with movement and speech in a story.

For the first half-term in our PSHE lessons, we will explore 'Going for Goals'. Children will think about what they want to achieve and how to go about it. In the second half of the term, we will explore the theme, 'Good to be me' and learn to value our similarities and differences.

In RE, we will be considering what we mean by belonging to a family or a community and the challenges and religious leadership. We will also explore different ideas about God, creation and ask ultimate questions. Leading up to Easter, we will think about Lent, Holy Week and Salvation.

As well as these topics, the children will continue to take part in daily numeracy and literacy lessons. Please help the children focus on their Root, Stem and Flower targets which can be found in the front of their Home Learning books. The children have all been given a log-in to practise their numeracy skills on 'Mathletics' and anyone who does not have a computer can ask to go into the ICT suite at break times. In French, our lessons will be supported by the programme 'Language Angels' and we are linking it to our Topic by covering the Unit 'L'ancienne histoire de la Grande Bretagne'.

Please feel free to send in any items you think would support the children's learning this term such as books, photographs, posters and artefacts etc. or complete the parent Planning Sheet.

Once again we have a very busy and exciting term ahead of us. We continue to look forward to working with you and your child in the term ahead. We thank you in advance for your help in supporting your child to achieve their potential.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Wells, Miss Todd and Mrs Lawson

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