

Empire and Earth



How did the Romans Spread Like Wildfire?

Year 3 Summer 2025

Dates for your diary:

OPAL Non-uniform Day
28th April

KS2 Film Night **30th April**

First Holy Communion in
Church **17th May**

First Holy Communion Liturgy
in school Tuesday **20th May**

KS2 Sports Day **21st May**

Music Evening **22nd May**

INSET Friday 23rd May

Half Term 26th -30th May

God's Planet Workshop RISE
4th June

**Year 3 and 4 Class Mass at
Corpus Christi 17th June**

Open Afternoon **21st June**

Roman Day at Bestwood
Educational Centre **9th July**

**Last Day of Term
Tuesday 29th July**

Happy Easter and Welcome to the Summer Term in Year 3!

Welcome back. I hope you all had a wonderful and joyful Easter.

We continue to be '**Guardians of God's Gifts**' as we now discover and investigate all about Roman Britain: How the Romans invaded Britain, failed at first but persevered and succeeded, how they settled here and what legacy they left us.

Our cross-curricular topic will enable us to incorporate many themes into this imagination-grabbing topic!

At the heart of our journey in faith this term will be Serving – Pentecost. In this theme the children learn about the gift of the Holy Spirit and serving as a way of life. The children will deepen their knowledge of the power and energy of the Holy Spirit. We will also continue to explore the Mysteries of the Rosary.



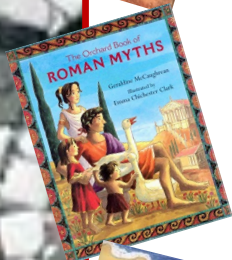
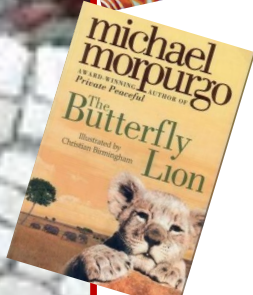
COME AND SEE TOPICS

Energy

Choices

Special Places

Other Faith: Sikhism



We will be examining and analysing many different types of texts in English, and using good models of writing as well as video and poetry to inspire us to create our own. We are going to be reading some exciting stories this term! Our Whole Class Reads are The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo and Nim's Island by Wendy Orr.

We will reinforce and extend our Maths work through reasoning and problem-solving. Our first topic is 'Measure and Perimeter' then 'Fractions', followed by 'Time' including 'Roman Numerals', 'Shape' and finally, 'Mass and Capacity'. There's going to be a lot more practice of number bonds and multiplication facts in order to improve fluency. Year 3 children **must know** their 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x by the end of the year.

In Science, we will study 'Plants' and investigate how they can grow healthily. We will learn more about 'Magnets and Forces'.

In Computing we will use programming skills to create work related to our topic including programming some Lego models and using art package software.

In P.E. the children will learn the skills of Striking and Fielding through the game of Rounders. We will also prepare for Sports day through Athletics with Gordon in the second half of the term.

We will continue our French lessons, specifically Time and Our School as well as improving in our fluency.

In our Art sessions, Mrs Hautenne is giving the children the opportunity to explore Roman mosaics and explore the work of the artist and architect, Antoni Gaudí.

In Geography we will deepen our understanding of the European Country, Italy through enquiry based lessons. Our History sessions will continue to place world events on timelines and learn about the Romans Invasion of Britain.

The children will have the opportunity to continue to learn to play Music, and we look forward to our class performance during the Music Evening. We will also appreciate music from different time periods including 'Night on a Bare Mountain' by Mussorgsky, 'I Got You' by James Brown and 'Jin-Go-L-Ba' by Baktunde Olatunji.

How You Can Help

Reading, spellings and maths homework will be set every week. Please support your child in practising multiplication facts and number bonds daily. There could also be follow-up research in other areas if appropriate.

Please check your child has the homework sheet on a Thursday. If the homework is lost, there are always extra sheets in the door holder until the following week. Encourage your child to read regularly and explain what they understand from the text, especially unfamiliar words.

Please make sure your child has their P.E. kit (black shorts, white tee-shirt and trainers or plimsolls) in school on **Mondays**. PE kit should stay in school all week. Only to go home to be washed at the weekend.

Please check the Y3 Web page for updates and recommended websites. Support your child in blogging and posting comments, please ensure they only use their first name and their school email address. A fantastic inspiring term to look forward to! if you have any queries please feel free to ask. Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Byrne

OTHER IDEAS

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/shows/horrible-histories



See the BRW Year 3 Blog for more links and updates

brwacademy.com