



We hope you all had a lovely Christmas, a happy New Year and a well-deserved break. The Year 3 team are very excited about our History dedicated topic: I am Warrior!  
For our engage day, we made shields fit for a Roman army.

This is a history based topic. The children will have fun learning all about the Romans and the British resistance (Celtic Warriors)

To engage the children we will be designing and making shields as we will become our very own legion!

For our topic learning, we will be looking at Roman and Celtic leaders, creating a timeline showing key events on the rise and fall of the Roman Empire.

In English we are creating instructions on how to become a Celtic warrior, writing a story about the famous gladiator, Spartacus! Furthermore, we will be using our sentence types to write descriptive pieces of writing from the point of view of Julius Caesar.

As Julius Caesar created our calendar, we will be focusing on time during our maths lessons.

Science will be taught as a separate unit where the children will investigate the properties of rocks and soil.

As we are swimming every afternoon for two weeks we will not be doing P.E lessons within school this half term.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

##### **School closed for children**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January - Trust Development day  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April (Monday is a bank holiday)  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

**Mrs Sinclair's swimming** - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January - 18<sup>th</sup> January.

**York Trip** - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January

**Pedestrian Training** - Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January - Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January.

**Miss Hunwick's swimming** - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February - 15<sup>th</sup> February.

**Open afternoon** - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 1:30pm

**Valentine's Disco** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February

**Break up for half term** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February

**Back to school** - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

**Book Fair** - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

**World book day** - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March (dress up as a book character)

#### **Expectations Reminder**

- ◆ Children are expected to read at home at least four times each week. Please take a few moments to sign your child's planner to inform their teacher that they have read. Children will receive a free book of their choice when they reach termly milestones!
- ◆ Weekly homework will be issued on a Thursday and will be due in the following Tuesday.
- ◆ Each half term your child will receive homework linked to their curriculum topic. Please check the homework grids in their purple book for details and due dates.
- ◆ PE kits should remain in school all week. Any items from the following list are permitted: a blue t shirt or polo; blue or black shorts; sports shoes; dark jogging bottoms; a plain hoody.
- ◆ Singing will also take place this term for all of KS2.
- ◆ For health and safety reasons while inside the school site, please can children push scooters and bikes.