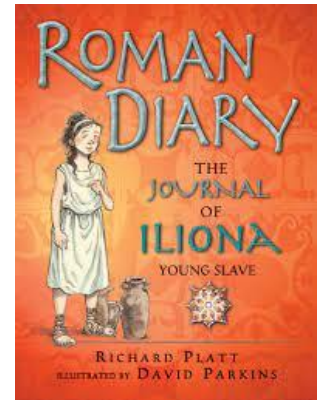


Learning Highlights from Spring 23

This half term we have been learning all about The Romans. In English, we enjoyed reading 'The journal of Iliona, a young slave'. Year 4 have loved getting creative with their writing. They have carried out research about Roman baths, wrote fascinating newspaper reports about gladiator fights and a persuasive letter to a Roman Leader.

Within this History topic, we have looked at who the Romans were and why they invaded Britain. The children were amazing at drawing the famous Colosseum.



Maths

In maths, we have been focusing on multiplication and division. The children have been developing their vocabulary around this topic! Using great resilience and determination, they have learnt the short multiplication method and the fascinating bus stop method for division.

Science

This half term, the children loved learning about electricity. They have been very practical, by creating a series circuit using the equipment, which was very fun! Alongside this, they can recognise identifying conductor and insulators.

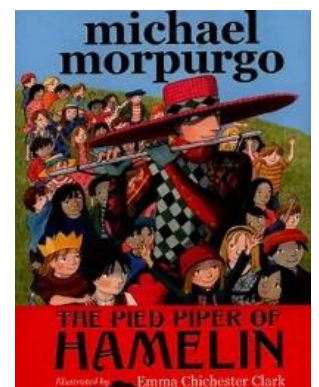
Year 4 Science Electricity		Conductors and Insulators			
Electrical Appliances		Conductors		Insulators	
		Electricity can flow through these materials		Electricity cannot flow through these materials	
1	microwave	1	aluminium	1	wood
2	hair dryer	2	steel	2	paper
3	toaster	3	gold	3	rubber
4	vacuum cleaner	4	copper	4	glass
5	washing machine	5	silver	5	plastic
6	fridge				
7	iron				
8	mixer				

PE

All children have really enjoyed the unit of Dance and Tag Rugby. All children created a dance routine based around the theme of cats. They linked movement together brilliantly and showed great expression.

New Learning for Spring 23

This half term we are having a science focus with our new book 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin'. The children will be identifying how sound is made and how we hear it. For English, we will be looking at various types of writing such as a setting description of Hamelin, a character description for the Pied Piper and many more! We hope to share a few with you!!



Maths

This half term, we will begin to tackle multiplication and division, before moving on to length, perimeter, and fractions. More specifically, identifying what perimeter is and how to calculate it. We shall also be continuing to practise our times tables ready for the Year 4 check! Keep practising!

History

We will be continuing our deep focus of the Romans. Identify whether children would rather have been in the Roman Empire or a Celtic Warrior. We will close this topic by identifying who Boudicca was and identifying the reasons why the Romans left.



Geography



In Geography this half term, we will be having a study of a London. We will be identifying how it has changed over the years, labelling key monuments, and weighing up the advantages and disadvantages of living there.

Art and DT

In art and DT, we will making planning and making Roman shield, linking to our history! Furthermore, children will also be challenged to try and make a musical instrument that design where pitch and volume can be changed out of recycled materials. Hopefully, we can have a few children acting as the Pied Piper!!

Key Information

- PE days are Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure all children wear their school PE kit, their hair is tied up and all jewellery is removed.
- Reading: Children are expected to read at home every night (even if it's just 5 minutes). Children's reading journal needs to be signed by an **adult** to ensure their reading. Listening to your children read is so important to aid development.
- Sound Check- Please ensure your children is practising their times tables on TTRS.
- Spellings- New spellings are handed out on Monday's and need to be returned completed every Friday.
- Online learning opportunities:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/login/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers>

[Times Tables Rock Stars: Play \(trockstars.com\)](https://www.trockstars.com)