



Tymor Hydref – Autumn Term

Focus text:

I Was there...Boudica's Army by Hilary McKay.



Our Physical Education days will be confirmed via SeeSaw.

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Beth wnaeth y Rhufeiniaid i ni?
What did the Romans do for us?



Enquiry Questions:



Who were the Romans, and why do we still remember them today?

What was everyday life like for people living in Roman Britain?

How did the Roman army become so successful, and what can we learn from it today?

What can the Romans teach us about how people live, work, and stay healthy?

Language, Literacy & Communication

Using the book 'Boudica's Army' written by Hilary McKay, the pupils will create a persuasive advert to join the Roman Army and a letter to a family member. Pupils will have the opportunity to write a thank you email to the Deva Roman Experience thanking them for our visit. Children will have opportunity to develop their oracy skills in a range of environments such as our discovery day and a Christmas performance. Children will also learn how to write detailed and precise instructions based on Roman foods and healthy living. They will learn topic specific vocabulary such as food, colours and countries. Daily Cymraeg sessions will allow for practicing conversational skills. Mandarin and French lessons will continue throughout the year providing an opportunity for children to develop a foundation knowledge of modern foreign languages.

Mathematics & Numeracy

This term, pupils will continue to develop their understanding of number through work on place value and the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. They will apply these skills in a range of practical and problem-solving activities, helping them to become more confident and independent mathematicians. Pupils will also learn about money, developing their ability to calculate costs, make informed choices and solve real-life financial problems. In shape, they will explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, identify patterns and develop their spatial reasoning skills. Throughout the term, pupils will strengthen their fluency, accuracy and mental maths strategies while learning to explain their thinking, reason mathematically and apply their knowledge in meaningful contexts. They will also learn how to use calendars to calculate durations of time and find out dates.

Science & Technology

During this term, the children will learn about the properties of materials and how this makes them fit for different purposes. They will plan an investigation to find out what is the best material for an effective Roman shield. They will carry out their investigation making careful observations and recording their results. Finally the children will draw their own conclusions based on their findings. In all science work the children will gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help them answer questions. In Technology, children will build their confidence using digital devices by practising typing, saving and organising documents, and carrying out research. They will use these skills to investigate the lasting impact of the Romans and discover how Roman innovations continue to influence our lives today.

Humanities (including Religion, Values & Ethics)

This term, pupils will journey back in time to explore the world of the Romans and their impact on Britain and Wales. They will investigate who the Romans were, what life was like for Roman children and soldiers, and why the Roman army was so successful. Pupils will explore how Roman soldiers stayed safe, healthy and worked together as a team, while comparing aspects of Roman life with their own experiences. They will also discover how the Romans influenced Wales and identify evidence of their legacy that can still be seen today. Through enquiry, discussion and research, pupils will develop their historical skills and gain a deeper understanding of how the past has shaped the world around them. The pupils Religion, Value and Ethics work will focus on Identity & Belonging. Linking with our Romans topic, we will look at the birth of Christianity and the actions some Romans took. Children will look at the actions of King Herod and focus on right and wrong choices.

Expressive Arts

Using Romans as our focus, the children will be creating Roman mosaics inspired by the mosaics in the Roman garden in Chester. Pupils will have the opportunity to use the creative process by exploring, responding, planning, creating and reviewing their work. They will also explore Roman marching music and investigate how music was used by Roman soldiers and armies, including Boudica's army, to communicate, motivate and prepare for battle. In addition, we will have lots of practice and rehearsals for our Christmas Nativity performance closer to the end of the term.

Health & Wellbeing

The children will develop their understanding of positive mental health and well-being through My Happy Mind lessons as well as working on their social skills through the KiVa programme. PE lessons will see children being introduced to gymnastics & hockey. Children will also take part in circuit training and learn about the importance of exercise for staying healthy. Children will compare the diet of a Roman to their own diet and learn what foods are healthy for their bodies. They will plan and prepare a Roman feast showcasing their knowledge of healthy foods

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