Year 4 Alder and Cedar Class

Welcome to Year 4!

We hope the children have settled back in and are looking forward to lots of learning this half-term.

Reminders:

You can contact us by emailing: year4@westfield.staffs.sch.uk. This will be checked daily at approximately 3.30pm.

PE days are on a Monday and Friday. Please ensure children come in to school wearing the correct school P.E. kit.

Cedar: Mrs Robinson, Mrs Steele, Mrs Jones

Alder: Mr Banks, Mr Richardson

History- The Romans



This half term, get ready for an adventure into the thrilling world of the Romans! We'll uncover the secrets of their mighty empire, from grand buildings and cutting-edge engineering to their vibrant daily life. Join us as we dive into the legacy of one of history's most fascinating civilizations and discover how the Romans shaped the world we live in today!

Science

This half-term, we will be looking at Living Things and Their Habitats. We will be learning about classifying and grouping living things based on their characteristics. As well as the impact humans have on our environment and natural habitats.

Maths

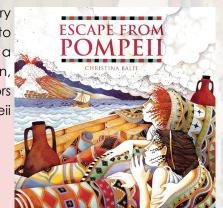
We begin by developing and securing place value, using numbers within 1,000 before moving onto numbers up to at least 10,000. Children will have fun using practical equipment to partition, combine, estimate, order and round numbers, Efficient subtraction and addition methods will continue to be developed when using numbers with up to at least four digits. Multiplication and division facts will be practised to help support quick recall of all facts. Negative numbers and Roman numerals will also be introduced.





English

In English, we will be looking at the story Escape From Pompeii by Christina Balit to help us develop our narrative skills using a range of features such as personification, expanded noun phrases and metaphors to portray how the people of Pompeii would have felt.



Religious Education

In the context of harvest, we will explore religious stories and teachings about the environment and how our choices can have an impact on the environment and the natural world.

PSHE

We will be understanding and participating in school's decision making processes linked to democratic structures and procedures, for example, school rules and councils.

PE

This half-term, children will develop their skills and teamwork through invasion games. Children will also learn how to tell a story about the Romans through dance and to perform to their peers.



Reading at home - Accelerated Reader

Children will be encouraged to read their chosen book throughout the week in school and at home. They will then complete a quiz on their chosen book to assess their understanding.

Times tables

Please continue to use 'Times Table Rockstars' to practise rapid recall of multiplication and division facts. Children are expected to know all of their multiplication tables (up to x12) by the end of year 4.



Spelling

Please practise the Year 3 and 4 common spelling words, a copy of these will be sent home with your child.

We will send out a spelling test every Friday and the children will be tested weekly.

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Try your best to complete at least 2 pieces of homework this half term. Remember to bring your homework in to so that we can celebrate your hard work in class.

school

Design and make a Roman villa!



Find a Roman recipe.
Create a set of
instructions for a class
friend to follow.

Design a comic strip telling the story of a major event in Roman history. It should include pictures and text. Be adventurous and design and make a model of a Roman Coliseum!

Create a poster showing the different events in the Colosseum. or the Circus Maximus.

Write an imaginative diary entry about the everyday lives of children in ancient Rome, from the point of view of a Roman child. Include correct historical information.