



# Bolton-le-Sands C of E Primary School

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the autumn term edition of the Curriculum Newsletter.

Our main theme this term is:

### Roman Britain



#### Our Key Enquiry Question is:

Is Britain better because of the Romans?

As **readers and writers**, we will be exploring Folk tales and fantasy stories. In non-fiction, we will be writing a recount of our Roman Battle during our trip to Hadrian's Wall and creating a persuasive leaflet about visiting Vindolanda. We are also going to be looking at poetry with a Christmas theme.

As **historians**, we will be thinking about who lived in Britain before the Roman's arrived, who the Romans were, where they came from and to what extent they changed Britain. As **geographers**, we will be learning about European countries, cities and settlements using maps and comparing these from Roman times to today. As **artists**, we will be exploring painting and composition. As **designers**, we will be learning how to create and develop a money container using textiles.

In **RE**, we will be studying Harvest across the world including the Jewish festival of Sukkot, considering what it means to be called by God and thinking about God with us at Christmas time.

As **mathematicians**, the children will be learning about place value, written addition and subtraction, written and mental multiplication and division.

As **musicians**, we will be learning about motifs and composing a short musical melody, combining different versions, and performing as a group using musical notation.

As **scientists**, we will be studying humans and other animals, including nutrition, the digestive system, the skeleton, teeth, and life cycles.



On **Tuesday**, children will be swimming. Please ensure that children come to school with complete kit. If children are unable to remove their own earrings, please take out before the school day.

PE will be on Thursdays. As **sportspeople**, we will be using inspiration from our Romans topic to develop skills in dance, working towards performing, reviewing and improving a final piece. Children will also be developing sport specific skills in invasion games through basketball.

Children must have a named school PE kit (plain shorts, blue t-shirt and pumps) in school every day. Trainers and tracksuit bottoms for outdoor PE are also advised.

Our themes for **PSHE** this term will be 'Me and My Relationships' and 'Valuing Difference'.

#### How can I help at home?

Reading books will be changed when children return them completed. Please spend time each evening reading with your child. Juniors are expected to write their own reading review in their **Reading Records** once they have finished their books.

**Spellings** will be sent home on a Monday, to be practised at home and tested the following Monday.

Children will be expected to learn their times tables.

They will have access to TT Rockstars and [timestables.co.uk](http://timestables.co.uk). The children can also practice these using paper resources; whatever works best for them!

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Garnett (Monday to Wednesday)  
and Mrs French (Thursday and Friday)