

To parents of Year 3 children

Dear parents

The following information is a brief outline of the work your children will be covering in **term 5**.

Our Learning Adventure this term is titled "**Candles, Sandals and Swords!**". The adventure is centred on the Romans in Britain (the 'Candles' reference comes from our Science topic - Light).

English -the children will be reading the books "Across the Roman Wall" by Theresa Breslin and "Escape from Pompeii" by Christina Balit. Following on from this, activities will include; diaries, letters, poetry and persuasive debate and writing.

Maths - we will continue with Fractions for 3 weeks, then move on to measure - Time. It would be great if parents could support their children, particularly with the Time topic. This includes telling the time on an analogue clock (a clock with hands) to the nearest minute. Please continue to practise times tables.

Science - Our topic is Light. This will include work on light sources, reflective materials and shadows. Investigations look at the size of shadows and the transparency of different materials.

Art - the children will be studying Roman mosaics and then creating their own bean mosaic.

PE - this term the children will take part in cricket, rounders, tennis, and athletics.

Music - the children will be learning the harmonica whilst developing their rhythm and pitch skills.

Spanish - Children will continue to learn Spanish including numbers 31 - 100, school bag items and colours.

Our learning adventure begins with a visit from **Eastbourne Ancestors** - the children will get a chance to examine Roman artefacts. On the 10th May, as part of our adventure, we will be taking a trip to **Fishbourne Roman Villa**. More details of this visit to follow.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 3 team.