

# Other Subjects

## Topic

This term we are learning all about the Romans during Autumn 1.

We will be developing our historical skills by using timelines to plot events, as well as conducting research about the Romans and comparing them to our lifestyles now. Also, we will be looking at the impact of the Romans on Britain, the Roman army and how Pompeii has taught us more about them.

While during Autumn 2, our topic will be volcanoes related to our Roman topic and an R.E, focus weeks on different religions and Christmas. This will include a visit to Faith City, where pupils will explore various beliefs.

In Art, our theme will be Mosaics and Patterns, which will link to our History topic,

## Science

In Science, we will be learning about States of Matter. We will look at solids, liquids and gases and how they change from one state to another with the change in temperature and pressure. Science is a practical subject so the pupils will be conducting investigations, making observations and testing out their ideas.

# Other Information!

## Homework

Homework plays an essential role in consolidating the knowledge and understanding your child gains from daily lessons. Try to provide an appropriate space away from distractions of the T.V. or younger children. Please also encourage and support your child to complete homework tasks on time and to a high standard.

Children will be expected to:-

- \* read at least three times a week at home to an adult. Please ensure that this is recorded in their planners.
- \* practise Maths Passport tasks for the following week
- \* complete a homework, which will be given out on Fridays and will be expected in on the following Wednesday.

## P.E

Children will have weekly PE lessons on Thursdays with Mrs. Barfoot and Mr. Hanson. As these sessions may take place outside, children have been asked to bring suitable P.E. clothing.

Please make sure your child brings their PE kit into school each week.

**If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask us!**

NETHERBROOK  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



# Year 4 Autumn Term

Miss Jervis and Mrs Woodward



Information for parents

[www.netherbrook.dudley.sch.uk](http://www.netherbrook.dudley.sch.uk)

# Introduction

## Welcome to Year 4!

We'd like to inform you of the key learning opportunities that your child will be participating in throughout the Autumn Term. The children are working very hard and we'd like to thank you for all your continuing support.

Miss Jervis and Mrs. Woodward

# Literacy

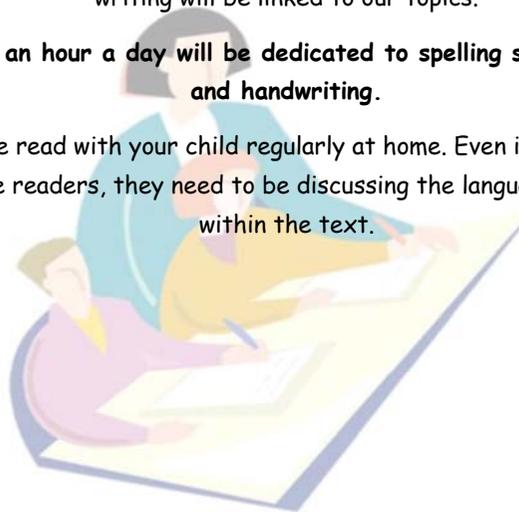
This term in Literacy, we will be completing work on sentence skills as well as learning about descriptive writing, newspapers and factfiles.

In our **sentence skills** work, we will be learning about sentence structure and different types of sentences. We will compare simple, compound and complex sentences, identifying their features and when to use them effectively.

In our **writing**, we will be looking at a range of techniques and identifying the key features. Many of our written pieces of writing will be linked to our topics.

Half an hour a day will be dedicated to spelling strategies and handwriting.

Please read with your child regularly at home. Even if they are able readers, they need to be discussing the language used within the text.



## You can help at home by:

- \*Encouraging your child to read their reading book.
- \*Helping your child to complete their homework.
- \*Providing lots of opportunities for your child to read and write at home.

# Maths

## Maths

This term we will be focussing on improving our overall mental maths skills. The children will be working on multiplication tables daily within their Maths group to improve recall. By the end of Year 4, all pupils should know all their tables from 2x to 12x.

## Written Strategies

This term we will be learning effective written methods to solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations.

Children will be taught strategies within a concept but also encouraged to apply them in various situations.

## You can help at home by:

- \*Practising mental maths questions
- \*Exploring real life maths e.g. when shopping adding up prices, exploring percentages, using money rather than paying on card.
- \*Using the following website: [www.nrich.org](http://www.nrich.org)



We're learning about the Romans!

I am working hard to achieve my targets!

I'm learning how to use complex sentences!

I'm looking forward to the Daily Mile!

My Reading skills are improving!