

# St Mary & St John CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 4! We hope you had a lovely summer and are ready for the new term.

Please find the attached outline for this term's curriculum map. The story for this term is *Escape from Pompeii*, by Christina Balit, which explores the story of Pompeii and the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. This will then lead on to other work based on the Romans, which will include our very exciting Roman Day.

Children need a PE kits every day so please ensure that your child brings their kits into school on Mondays and takes it home on Fridays. Children will need suitable footwear to wear both on the playground and field, as well as indoor PE shoes/ pumps. They may also need a warmer jumper for doing PE outside when the weather gets a bit colder and spare socks. Year 4 will be swimming this term: Sycamore's swimming day is Thursday and Walnut on Friday. Can you please ensure that your child comes to school with swimwear, a towel and a swimming cap.

We encourage you to make sure your child is reading an appropriate book for at least 20 minutes a day and that you discuss it with them to develop their interest in literature and broaden their vocabulary. Children are welcome to borrow books from the school library, we have a wide variety to appeal to all interests!

Spellings will be sent home every Friday, to be tested the following Friday. Children will be given mathletics.com log-ins later on this term. **Please could all homework books be returned by Wednesday.** There may be additional homework at various stages, such as creative writing tasks over the holidays.

## Dates for your diary:

**Tuesday 17th September:** Roman Day  
**Friday 11th October:** INSET Day  
**Friday 26th October:** End of Term 1  
Harvest Festival: to be confirmed.

Please note that all teachers attend staff meetings on Wednesdays.

Please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher with any queries. Thank you for your support and we look forward to an exciting year ahead!

Kind regards,

Miss Crocombe and Miss Clarkson