

Willow Class Spring 1 2021



I Am Warrior!

I am Warrior! I am strong, brave and powerful. Meet me in battle. Draw your sword, wield your axe and challenge me if you dare. Invade and attack. Romans versus Celts, the fight is on. Discover warring Britain: meet Claudius, Boudicca and Julius Caesar and find out what the Romans did for us. Get ready for Gladiator School and learn alongside Spartacus and Spiculus, brave fighters of the Roman Colosseum. When all that battling makes you hungry, relax, lie back and feast yourself on dormice and grapes, or perhaps a roasted swan sprinkled with nuts?

It's an exciting term in science as we dive into the wonderful world of solids, liquids and gases. We look at the way our world is made of these 3 different states of matter and learn how to classify them. We will take a closer look at liquids and gases, as well as how to use a thermometer to measure temperature. Watch out Willow, it might get a bit messy!!!

Key dates



Children to wear PE kit to school	Mondays and Fridays
Weekly homework spelling and times table	Set on Monday (see attached to this letter) tested on Friday
Topic homework booklet back to school	Thursday 4 th February



Homework

Spelling - Children will be given spellings on a Monday and then tested on these on Friday. Some children will be given just 2 spellings, others up to 5. Spellings are attached to this letter so you can see what we are learning up to Christmas. There will be opportunities to practice at school, but practice at home is encouraged so that the children can make their best progress. Results of spelling tests will be posted on Seesaw.

Times tables - As you may be aware, there is now a statutory times tables test at the end of Year 4 with the expectation that children know and can recall quickly all times tables facts up to 12x. Your child will be focussing on one or two times tables each week, see the grid attached to this letter. There will be opportunities to practice at school but logging onto *TT Rockstars* 2 or 3 times a week for 15 minutes is encouraged so your child can make good progress.

Reading – children will read regularly at school, either as a whole class, independently or to an adult. At this time, due to Covid, we are unable to allow children to take books home. We do encourage you to read to your child at home and hear them read on a regular basis. If you are running out of material at home, I think you can now reserve books from West Sussex libraries, you could download books to read online or perhaps swap books with friends if you feel comfortable to do so.

Topic homework - children are being sent home with an *I Am Warrior!* activity booklet. They do not need to complete every task, but of course they could! Please can children bring the booklets back to school on **Thursday 4th February** so they have time to decontaminate before sharing with their peers in the final week of term. Activities include creating a timeline of the Roman Empire and finding out about the everyday lives of children in ancient Rome.

Spellings and times tables

Week commencing	Spellings			Times Table
	Seahorses	Jelly fish	Star fish	
4/1	tremendous enormous enough exercise experience	enormous exercise enough all stop	all stop	7 and 11 (some chn focussing on 11)
11/1	jealous humorous experiment extreme favourite	experiment favourite jealous will your	will your	4 and 8 (some chn focussing on 10)
18/1	glamorous vigorous February forward fruit	February fruit glamorous be day	be day	3 and 6 (some chn focussing on 3)
25/1	courageous outrageous poisonous grammar group	poisonous group grammar friend has	friend has	5 and 10 (some chn focussing on 5)
1/2	dangerous mountainous guard guide heard	dangerous heard guide will said	will said	2 and 12 (some chn focussing on 2)
8/2	famous various heart height history	famous history height was today	was today	1 and 9 (some chn focussing on 9)

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