

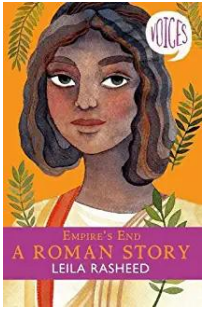


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Friday 17th April 2026

Welcome back to a new and exciting half term! We hope you enjoyed the Easter break.



Our learning this half term is based around the global theme: ***Our Heritage.***

We will continue to learn all about the Romans in our topic: *'Did people love or hate living in Roman Britain?'*

We will continue to use our text, 'A Roman Story,' to lead our learning and to inspire our **English** lessons, where we will be writing a short story and a newspaper report. We will also read the story, 'Escape from Pompeii'.

- In our **maths** lessons, we will be learning about coordinates and fractions. **Please continue to support your child at home by learning the multiplication and division facts for all tables up to 12 x 12.**
- In our **history** lessons, we will be learning about the British reaction to the Roman invasions, Boudicca and Roman life in Britain.
- In **science**, our unit will be 'Animals, including humans' and we will learn about food chains and food webs.
- In **computing**, we will be learning about data logging.
- During **RE**, we will be discussing the question 'What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?'
- In **DT**, will we be learning about structures and making Roman aqueducts.
- In **PSHE**, we will be finishing our unit on living in the wider world before moving on to learning about health and wellbeing, with a focus on a healthy lifestyle, physical and mental health and oral hygiene.
- In **music**, we will be learning about how music helps to shape our way of life.
- In **Physical Education**, we will learn to **play handball on Wednesdays**; and on **Fridays**, we will be learning to play **rounders**.

Please ensure that your child wears their PE uniform to school and keeps it on all day on their PE days. Children can wear shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings with a school-coloured t-shirt and hoodie or school jumper if cold. Please remove earrings and tie back long hair. Thank you.

Homework

We will continue to set **weekly spellings** which you will find stuck into your children's reading record every Thursday. Please continue to help and support your child by **reading 3 times per week at home per week**. It is also very important that you continue to support your child with **times table fluency** in preparation for the **National Multiplication Tables Check in June 2026**. Thank you for supporting your children at home.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us through the school office email.

Kind regards,

Miss Brooks and Mrs Windmill.