

Homework for The Romans - Purple Class (3 weeks)

In light of feedback from Parent Questionnaires this year, we will continue to underline tasks that are more easily completed by children independently, but will also include some worksheets at the request of some families.

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English (Communication, Reading and Writing)	Creative Arts (Music, Art, Dance)	Humanities (RE, Geography, History, Philosophy)	Mathematics and Technology (Maths, DT, IT, Science)
<p><u>Imagine you have travelled back in time to the ancient Roman times. Write a letter back to your family to tell them about your experiences.</u></p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Think of what you would see and hear Write your ideas in a full sentence Check capital letters Check the correct punctuation to end your sentence (. ! ?) 	<p>Listen to the ancient Roman music (website below). What did you like about it? What did you notice about the instruments? What did it make you think of?</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe the tempo, rhythm and instruments Describe the feeling the music gave you Explain what the music made you imagine 	<p><u>The Romans created towns in Britain. But which towns are Roman towns? Any town that has a name ending in 'chester', 'caster' or 'cester' was once a Roman town. Look at a map and find some Roman towns.</u></p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find Britain in an atlas or road map (you could use an online one if you like) Look for Roman place names Write down some names from different parts of Britain 	<p>Practise these mental maths facts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counting forward and back in 2s, 5s and 10s (from 0 and other numbers too) Quickly recalling pairs of numbers to make 10 (9+1 etc.) Quickly recalling pairs of numbers to make 20 (19+1 etc.)
<p><u>Write an acrostic poem, either about the Romans. Write 'The Romans' down the side of your page and use the letters to begin each line of your poem.</u></p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decide on words beginning with the correct letters Keep lines a similar length Include historical information 	<p>The Romans sometimes created beautiful artwork called frescos – detailed paintings on plaster. Create your own fresco (but don't paint on the wall!). See pictures on the back.</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Think of an idea (either a person or something from nature) Mix coloured paints to create simple shades and colours Paint small details carefully 	<p>The Romans were a very religious group of people. Emperor Constantine brought Christianity to Britain but before then, many gods were worshipped. Research these gods and create a fact file.</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find information about 3 of the gods (website below) Explain the differences between some gods Think about why the Romans worshipped so many gods 	<p>Create your own standard. Each troupe of soldiers carried its own standard (like a logo) into battle. You could make a life size one or a model. See back of sheet for example.</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose suitable materials Cutting and shape materials Increasing stability e.g. layers of card Decorating effectively
<p><u>What would you like to ask an ancient Roman?</u> <u>Think of five interesting questions.</u></p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital letters Different questions words i.e. Why, How... ? at the end 	<p>Create your own Roman-style mosaic. You can decide whether you create a pattern or a picture.</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose your materials – coloured paper is good for this Draw your design Cut your 'tiles' to the correct size Leave gaps between (don't overlap like collage) <p>There is also a link to an online mosaic creator below.</p>	<p><u>Complete an activity off the School Wall – history research or an archaeological dig</u></p>	<p>Did you know that we use Roman numbers all the time? Often clocks will have Roman numerals on them. Make your own clock face with Roman numerals then use it to practise telling the time. A paper plate would be a good clock face.</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out the Roman numerals from 1-12 Put them on your clock in the correct place Tell the o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to times with a grown up
<p><u>Ask your teacher for a worksheet for Literacy.</u></p>			<p><u>Ask your teacher for a worksheet for Maths.</u></p>
<p>Helpful websites</p> <p>http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html - general starting point for the Romans; good tab for Roman gods information</p> <p>http://www.teacherled.com/resources/clockspin/bigbenload.html - Roman numeral clock</p> <p>http://www.ducksters.com/kidsmath/roman_numerals.php - Roman numerals</p> <p>http://gwdir.demon.co.uk/ro/mosaic/mkmosaic.htm - online mosaic</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GShfxK5Y2dk – Roman music</p>			

Look at the activities above. The activities are divided into four columns. You need to choose one activity to complete each week. You must choose at least one activity in each column. After that the choice is yours.

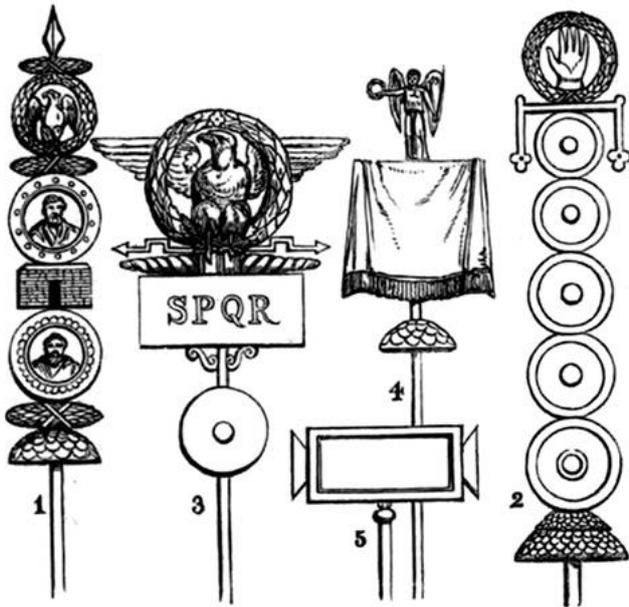
- To help you organise your homework, it is a good idea to do a little every day. You can spend as long as you wish, but around one hour per week should be enough for most activities.
- If you have a brother or sister at Blackwell, you could work together on an activity.
- It is helpful if grown ups help you, but please do the work yourself.
- The work should be filed in your homework book. Examples of good homework will be displayed in the hall.

Reading for this half term: daily please for at least 10 minutes and make sure you talk about the book with someone.

EXPECTATIONS

- Please complete written work in **pencil** and file into your homework book. Some work may require a photograph.
 - Present work in a way that is clear and easy for people to read
- Homework sheets will be sent home at the start of a topic and one piece can be handed in each MONDAY
- Activity sheets will be available from class teachers on Fridays if children request them during the week**
 - Feedback from the teacher will be provided in the workbook

Examples of battle standards:



Examples of Roman fresco paintings:

