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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope that you and your children have had an enjoyable and relaxing summer holiday and are all ready for a busy Autumn term.

On the reverse please find the overview for this term. Our topic will be 'The Romans', focusing largely on how The Romans impacted life in Britain. We shall be exploring many aspects of life in Ancient Rome and comparing our lives now to then and will be using a variety of resources to enhance learning. If you have any artefacts or resources that you think would be of use for this topic, please let me know. I would be very grateful for anything that you would be willing to lend the class.

The children will be taking part in a launch day for this topic on Wednesday. We will discuss what the children already know and what they would like to know about The Romans. We will use a variety of sources supported by ICT to research and find out about different aspects of life in Ancient Rome. In groups they will become experts in an area and present their findings to the rest of the class. They will make Roman shield designs and some Roman pot designs. They will also use Roman numerals in maths.

To enhance the children's learning, I am hoping to organise a visit to Chedworth Roman Villa. Further details will follow later in the term. In order to meet the supervision ratios we will need some parents to accompany us. If you are interested in helping, you will need to be DBS checked, so please collect a form from the office.

For our landing celebration day, to be held near the end of the Autumn term, the children will spend the day in Roman costume and will be given roles to play as though in Ancient Roman times. We will eat food from Roman times and possibly even practise being a Roman soldier.

Our P.E times are on **Thursdays** and **Fridays**, so could you please ensure that your child has all of the correct P.E kit on these days. For P.E outside your child is allowed to wear trainers and may bring long tracksuit bottoms.

Please find attached a letter which outlines your child's homework. I would be grateful if you could ensure your child completes their homework and returns it to school on time.

Please feel free to come and see me if you have any concerns or queries.

Kind regards,
Miss Stephens
Year 4 Class Teacher