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Ouse Class Summer Term 2019 Curriculum Letter

Dear Parents,

A big welcome back to everyone in Ouse Class. I hope everyone had a nice break after the hard working Spring Term and enjoyed the nice weather! A special welcome to our student teacher, Miss Boe. As many of you will be aware, Miss Boe joined us for the last 2 weeks of Spring Term and will have a key role alongside myself, in teaching Ouse class this term. I know she is as excited as I am to get stuck into this busy term with the children!

English

This term we will be focusing on play scripts, in preparation for the Summer end of year production. Children will recap on specific features of play scripts as well as have the opportunity to write and perform their own. We will be linking this with non-fiction texts through our Shakespeare themed week, researching and presenting information on this famous playwright.

For our narrative unit, the children will study stories linked to our topic of the 'Romans' (which will begin during the final week of this half term). These will include the story of Romulus and Remus and 'Escape from Pompeii'. Children will study characters and plot and write their own stories based in a similar historical setting.

In grammar, we will be focusing on prepositions and fronted adverbials, applying these to our own writing and up levelling sentences.

Spelling tests will continue to be on a Friday.

Maths

In Maths this term, the children will be moving on to focus on measures, statistics and geometry. Under the umbrella of 'measures' they will be covering money (including how to write amounts of money correctly using decimal notation), volume, capacity and time. As time can often be a tricky unit for some children to get their heads round, it would be very helpful if you practise telling the time on an analogue clock with your children as much as possible at home in order to develop a solid foundation which the children can build upon in their lessons in school. In statistics we will be building upon the children's understanding of pictograms and bar charts to read and record information and Year 4 children will study line graphs. Geometry sees the children identifying properties of 2D and 3D shapes as well as exploring angles, lines and symmetry.

Topic

Having taken on board what the children wanted from their school learning experience, our new topic will be 'The Romans.' I am very enthusiastic about this subject and I know the children will really enjoy it too! We will research Celtic and Roman warriors and using different source materials we will investigate the Roman Empire and read Roman numerals. After designing and making shields, we shall test them in battle and practise our attacking and

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Creates opportunity



Releases potential



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defending skills. The Celtic warrior queen, Boudicca, will inspire us to create stories, models and artwork. We will write plays about gladiators and a menu for wealthy Romans. Using maps, globes and information books, we shall compare Britain (the home of the Celts) and Rome (the home of the Romans).

Miss Auckland

As in the Spring term, Miss Auckland will teach the children on Wednesday afternoons for the first half of this term, covering the topics of RE, PSHE and Music. In **RE** the topic will be 'Inspirational People' which will involve the children learning about the lives of inspirational people and considering who inspires them before completing a research project in this area. In **PSHE** the children will learn about making and changing rules and will cover the important British Value of Democracy in our whole school theme week. In **Music**, the children will be exploring rhythm through songs and instruments.

Science

Following half term, the children will have science with Mrs Huntriss on a Monday afternoon. Their topics for the final term this year is 'Sound' and 'Living things and their habitats.'

Homework

Children will receive homework on a Friday and it should be brought back into school on a Wednesday, unless it is a whole school Topic homework, which children have 2 weeks to complete. Children who do not bring homework to school on time will complete it in homework club during Wednesday lunchtime.

PE

Children will continue to have swimming lessons on a Thursday until half term. PE with Mr Cairns will also be on a Thursday until then. When the children return to school after half term, PE will be on a Monday with myself or Miss Boe and on a Wednesday with Mr. Cairns.

As part of a whole school art project for the end of term production, if you have any old, unwanted pastel or white coloured pillow cases, please could you send them in to school please.

I look forward to working with you over the course of this final term and if you have anything you would like to discuss, please feel free to come and see me.

Kind Regards

Miss R. Boyle