

Portway Junior School

Welcome to Year 4 - Our learning for Spring 1

English

Writing

Our first learning journey of this half term will explore the book 'Roman Britain'. After digesting a number of informational texts from the book, we will be writing our own information text about an aspect of Roman life. We will then look at writing a diary from the viewpoint of a Roman person or soldier.

Reading

Children will learn and practice the reading skills (fluency, vocabulary, infer, predict, explain, retrieve, summarise) while exploring 'The Last Bear'.

Home Learning

Read 4 times a week to an adult and practice times tables 4 times a week. Spellings practice to also be completed each week (due each Friday).

Diaries must be signed each week by an adult at home. They are also checked on Friday in school.

A menu of project homework will be available on Google Classroom.



Foundation Subjects

Science - Living things
PSHE - Dreams and Goals
PE - Football and Fitness
French - Romans
History - Romans
Computing - Digital Literacy (photo editing)
RE - Belonging - Khalsa and Sikhism
Music - Listen to Me (rainforest)
Art - Sketching and Collage (Henri Rousseau)

PE days - Monday and Wednesday

Children should come to school in their PE kit on PE days. If they have their ears pierced, please take earrings out or provide ear tape.

Forest School - Thursdays

Hare - 16th Jan, 6th Feb
Deer - 23rd Jan, 13th Feb
Kite - 9th Jan, (Tue) 28th Jan
Children should come to school in forest clothes and bring spare shoes/wellies.

Key Dates

06.01.25 Spring 1 term starts

29.01.25 - 31.01.25 Hooke Court

17.2.25-21.2.25 Half Term

24.2.25 First day back

Uniform



Please ensure all belongings are labelled.



No jewellery to be worn in school (small stud earrings only).



Maths

What we are learning this half term:

- Fractions
- Geometry
- Multiplication and division within measurement
- Place value, addition and subtraction within statistics

Please support your child with their times table knowledge as it will be so helpful for them during our unit on multiplication and division. Please encourage them to use Times Table Rockstars and other games to learn. For more support on how to do this please, ask your child's class teacher.