

# MEERKATS: NOVEMBER 2020



Welcome back to Year 4 for the second half of our 'I Am Warrior' Roman topic.

## Welcome back

Welcome to the second half of our autumn term. It is great to see all of the children refreshed from their break and ready for another exciting half-term in Year 4.

## Book Week

Prior to the half term break, the whole school took part in Book Week with a particular focus on reading fairy tales. The week was a fantastic experience for everyone where we enjoyed sharing stories with each other while also creating our own. It was great to see the creativity and enthusiasm the whole class demonstrated throughout each task.



We had been restricted in what we could do as we normally have authors visit, and are able to work with other classes. The children adapted to the changes wonderfully however. They worked hard to produce work and create a wonderful door display.

## I Am Warrior!

We will be continuing with our fantastic topic this half term where we will be studying the importance of the Romans and what they gave to the world. We will also be researching famous emperors and how they managed to rule over so many places.

## The Curriculum

We will begin this half-term by focusing on subtraction in maths; whilst in English, we will be commencing our first non-fiction unit of work: Biographies. Elsewhere across the curriculum, we will be enhancing our keyboard and computer skills as we research and write our own reports in Computing. During Science lessons this half term, we will be working through the unit of 'Living Things'. On a Wednesday morning we will continue to practise our guitar skills.



### PE

Swimming is still not something we can take part in due to lock-down restrictions. We will continue to keep you posted for when and if we are able to take the children to a local swimming pool for lessons.

Our PE lessons will continue to take place on Thursdays and Fridays. With the weather getting colder it is extremely important to have a suitable outdoor kit that includes jogging bottoms. Pupils have been excellent wearing their kits to school and using earring tape when jewellery can't be removed. This should continue this term.

## Homework

Homework will continue to be given out on a Thursday and is to be returned to school by the following Tuesday at the latest. It is vital that pupils complete all homework to the best of their ability as it is an important way of consolidating learning and preparing for the following week's learning.

Additionally, all pupils should be reading as often as possible; learning their times tables in preparation for the end of term times table test and learning their spellings they have been given.

If in any doubt about the homework set, pupils can speak to a member of the Year 4 team before it is due in for extra support and guidance.



Thank you for your continued support during these strange times. We are so proud of all pupils and their continued hard work.

Wishing you and your families good health,

Miss Vaughan and Mrs. Kidd