



**Welcome to
Phoenix Class**
This term the
children will be
learning about

History

This half of the term, the children will learn about The Roman Origins of British Settlements, Boudicca - hero or villain and The Romans' legacy. Children will research and investigate Roman occupation in Britain and the historic battles that took place in this era alongside developing an Understanding of how the Romans had a lasting influence on Britain and what influences we still see today.

Science - Electricity

The children will learn about electricity, electrical circuits, diagrams and symbols. The children will be given the opportunity to plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary. From this the children will observe the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.

English

The children will start the term by reading Beowulf by Michal Morpurgo.

The text will inspire children to write fictional adventure writing pieces. We will be looking at how to create strong story openings that include expanded noun phrases and describe settings, characters and atmosphere to draw in the reader. In the reciprocal reading sessions, the children will discuss a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our topic of Rome or Electricity. These will enable the children to practice comprehension skills taught in our weekly Reading Skills lessons.

Term 2 in Phoenix class...



Maths

The children will continue to calculate using all four operations - currently short and long division; using formal written methods before moving on to mental calculations and factors. In fractions the children will be comparing, adding and subtracting unrelated fractions using common denominators.

It encourages problem solving of fraction problems while exploring efficient methods

P.E.

PE will be taught on Tuesday with swimming on Thursday. Please ensure that the children wear the correct PE kit. The main focus will be Gymnastics. In addition to this, we will have other active brain breaks throughout the day.

Art/DT

This term we will continue working on 2D Drawing to 3D Making. They will explore artists who use their drawing skills to make objects; collect and reflect on aspects they like and dislike. Children will continue to use their sketch books to record their observations and explored the challenges faced to transfer them into 3 dimensions.

Computing

The children will use an online website 'Purple Mash' to support their understanding of Databases and Concept Maps alongside online safety information.

P.S.H.E. - Celebrating Difference

This is the second piece of our mindfulness Jigsaw approach to PSHE. Children will explore different perceptions about what normal means. Make them aware of people who are living with disabilities and promote understanding towards others.

School rules To be...



R.E.

The children will learn about what Christians believe God around the time of Christmas. They will also explore what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today. They will learn about the Five Pillars, festivals, and places of worship.

Music

This term, the children will be using the Charanga music program. Our unit is 'Music and Technology' and the songs will be entitled, 'Do What You Want To', 'It's all About Love' and 'Sunshine on a Rainy Day'