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# **Key Dates**

Monday 28th September—Forest School

Monday 12th October—School Photo Day

Friday 23rd October—School closes for Half Term

Monday 2nd November—School reopens

Wednesday 16th December—Christmas Party (pm)

Thursday 17th December — School closes at 2:30pm

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#### Homework

On a Friday, the children will receive weekly homework related to the week's learning. This will now be set via the school Home Learning website and should be handed in by the following Friday morning.

I would be grateful if the children could bring their reading books and records into school every day and aim to read a minimum of at least three times a week. At the moment, we change books on a Monday and a Friday but your child is welcome to read any additional books they have at home too as these still count towards their weekly reads!

The children will receive their spellings on a Friday and will be tested on them the following Friday.

#### PE

Outdoor PE will be on a **Wednesday** afternoon and indoor PE on a **Friday** morning. Please ensure that the children have the appropriate kit on these days as, at the minute, we are unable to lend out spare kit. During the winter months we suggest that the children have long sleeved tops and trousers.

# Class Book:

Diary of Dorkius Maximus by Tim Collins

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Bowmandale after what feels like forever! I'm so pleased to be back and consider myself very lucky to have the pleasure of teaching your child this year; it's lovely to see lots of familiar faces and some smiley new ones too!

First of all, I'd like to start by reassuring you that whilst I know there are a lot of changes this year, I endeavour to make school seem as 'normal' and as safe as it can be for your child through lots of fun and engaging learning opportunities.

We have lots of exciting activities planned this term that link closely to our first topic of The Romans. During the topic, we will be exploring the history rich theme through lots of immersive learning opportunities, as well as reading Roman myths in our reading lessons. You can stay up to date with your child's learning via both my Twitter page (@MissLSingleton) and the school APP, where I'll post regular updates on what we've been up to.

A good relationship between home and school is very important in children's learning and I really look forward to working alongside you this year. Should you have any concerns or queries please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Miss Singleton

#### School trip:

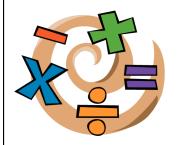
Unfortunately, due to the current situation, no trips will be able to take place this term. However, we aim to make learning in school as fun as possible to make up for this.

## <u>Maths</u>

During the Autumn term, we will be focussing on the topics of:

- Number and Place Value
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Fractions

For more information on what we will cover in these topics, please see the attached sheet which provides a breakdown of each target that the children will work towards.





### RE/ PSHE

PSHE:

Being Me in my World & Celebrating Differences

RE:

Expressions of Faith

#### Music

During this term we will be listening to and appraising songs, composing, performing and sharing our learning focussed around two key pieces of music.

#### <u>Science</u>

- The lifecycles of a mammal, insect, amphibian and bird
- Reproduction in plants & animals
- Human Changes
- How mechanisms work

# **English**

Throughout the term, we will be looking at a range of genres. The content of the work within each genre will be linked with our class read of 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret' by Brian Selznick.

Some of these genres may include, poetry, recounts, letters, stories, diaries and persuasive arguments.

We will also explore Roman Myths in our Shared Reading lessons.

Please see the attached sheet that identifies the grammar points we may cover or recap on.

## PE

Indoor PE: Dance
Outdoor PE: Hockey & Football
skills (non contact)

#### Computing

Coding, Spreadsheets & Internet Safety

# Project: Were the Romans really rotten?

In Project lessons we will be exploring the Romans, covering areas such as:

#### History

- Who are some well-known historical figures from Roman times and what was their impact on Britain? e.g. Julius Caesar, Boudicca, Claudius,
- What were Roman homes like?
- Why are Romans famous for their baths?
- What inventions did the Romans create?
- What were some of the Roman beliefs?
- Were the Romans skilled fighters?

#### Art & D.T.

- What was Roman architecture like? e.g. Coliseums and Hadrian's Wall.
- How to design and create our own mosaics
- How to design and create our own catapults

#### Geography

- Where did the Romans invade?
- How to use maps, atlases, globes & digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied

