



November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are so pleased to see everyone back in school again in the lead up to Christmas and we have lots to look forward to in the coming weeks.

We will begin to immerse ourselves in our History topic 'I Came, I Saw, I Conquered'; our exciting topic all about Roman Britain. This half term, the children will be visiting Fishbourne Palace to enhance this learning. This trip will take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November. The children will be reminded of all of their History learning so far and really get a feel for what it might have been like to live in Roman Britain all those years ago. Please remember, the children will need comfortable shoes for this trip and will need to wear their full school uniform. It is also essential that the children bring a coat, a packed lunch and a (non-fizzy) drink for their day out of school.

Last half term, we read 'Matilda' by Roald Dahl and the children thoroughly enjoyed developing their writing skills through this text. We will continue to read this story as our class novel. This half term, we will begin with some work on poetry, in which children will write their own Haiku poetry and we cannot wait to see what they produce!

Please continue to read at home every night with your child and note it down in your child's planner, including the page numbers read. The more they read the more stars they earn which can lead to earning a reward at the end of each term. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Your children have received a new spelling booklet in the first week back, which contains all of the weekly spellings for the whole half term. These are the spellings that the children will be tested on each week. This test will take place on a Monday. Throughout the week, we have spelling lessons in which children learn the spelling rules. Please support your child to practise using the spelling strategies that can be found in their planners or online. All children are able to access Spelling Shed, which means that they have opportunities to learn their spellings in a fun and interactive way at home. Their logins can be found in the back of their planners.





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In Maths, we are focusing on multiplication and division where we will be learning the formal written method for short multiplication. We will also be continuing to test the children daily on their times tables facts and regularly encourage them to play Times Tables Rock Stars at home to improve their recall speed. This will significantly support their learning in class this half term and begin to prepare them for the national Multiplication Tables Check that will be completed in Summer 2026.

P.E. will still be on Tuesdays this half term. Please ensure that your child has a full P.E. kit including a change of footwear in school on the Monday, just in case the timetable changes at the last minute. 4CT will also continue to have an extra session on Mondays this half term. As we approach winter, it is important that the children have the correct clothing for the weather. If a child does not have their uniform for P.E., they will not participate in the lesson, so please ensure that their full kit is with them each week.

We are really looking forward to what we think will be a fantastic half term for the children. We would like to thank you in advance for your support and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher. You can do this by writing a note in your child's planner or telephoning the school and they will make contact with you.

Kind regards,

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