



# Chestnut Class

## Enriching Learning

### Summer Term 2024

#### 'The Romans'



### Maths

[www.mathletics.com/signin](http://www.mathletics.com/signin)

#### **Mathletics offers:**

- \*Live Mathletics - Practise mental Maths skills by competing against members of your class or children from around the world.
- \*Activities - Pick an area of Maths that you would like to improve in. Choosing the topic that the class is currently studying would be a great idea. Can you turn the topic bar gold?
- \*Skill Quests - Can you apply your knowledge to a wider range of questions?
- \*Meritopia - These special set of games can only be accessed when you have earned enough points! Can you open the door to Meritopia?

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

#### **Times Tables Rock Stars offers:**

- \*Single player games - Use these to increase your speed, accuracy and confidence.
- \*Multiplayer games - Take on your friends, people around the world or even your teachers!
- \*Tournaments - Look out for various battles against other classes throughout the term!

Another useful website for Maths:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>

### Reading

This term, we would like you to try to read for 10 minutes every day. You can read by yourself or with an adult. Ask them to record your reading in your reading diary so that, when you reach a milestone, you can be entered into the Reading Raffle. Diaries will be checked every **Friday**.



A spelling/phonics pattern will be given to you every **Thursday**. Words connected to this pattern will then be tested on the following **Thursday**.

### History Focus

The following links will help you to develop your understanding of our topic this term:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwmpfq8> (Bitesize - The Roman Empire)

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html#1> (Primary Homework Help - The Romans)

[https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient\\_rome.php](https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_rome.php) (Ducksters - Ancient Rome)

Each week, choose one of the activities below to explore. Try to choose a range of activities (some from each box) during the term. **Make sure that your completed homework is put into our homework drawer by Thursday every week.** You can hand it in early if you'd like to!

### Maths Activities

- Go on a right angle hunt around your house. Challenge: Can you find any angles that are greater or less than a right angle?
- Have a look at some prices in a local shop. Can you add two of the amounts together? Can you work out the change that you would get?
- Can you tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes? Can you say an afternoon time using a 12-hour clock and a 24-hour clock?
- Draw different examples of fractions. How many ways can you draw or write  $\frac{1}{4}$ ?
- Practise your written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Use the support sheet handed out in our first Parents' Evening to help you.
- Can you remember how many days there are in each month? How many days are there in a year? Can you create a song to help you to remember?
- Have a go at making a cake. Think carefully about your measuring. Make sure that you get down the right level to be able to check your accuracy.

### English Activities:

- Retell one of Jesus' parables or one of Aesop's fables. Can the person you are performing to guess the meaning of the story? Remember to vary your intonation, tone and volume.
- Make a worksheet or game to test someone's understanding of apostrophes for possession and contraction. Can they add the apostrophes in the correct places? Can they identify mistakes that you have purposefully made?
- Write your own poem. You could challenge yourself to write a haiku, tanka, kenning or limerick poem.
- Read a play script. How is the speech punctuated in it? How is this different to a story? How do the actors know what to do?

### History Activities:

- Create a Roman-inspired mosaic using squared pieces of paper.
- Make a Roman shield.
- Research the different battle formations that Roman soldiers used. Why were they effective?
- Write a job advert for the position of a Roman soldier. What characteristics would you look for?
- Create your own schedule of events for a Roman colosseum. Will there be battles, theatre performances...?
- Choose an aspect of Roman life, e.g. houses, baths, clothing or religion. Create a fact file about it.
- Create a Newsround broadcast for a Roman invention. What is it? How does it work? What is good about it?

### Other Curriculum Areas:

- Design a magazine front cover on paper. What might be easier if you did it on a digital device instead? What might be harder?
- Draw a diagram of the water cycle. Can you write down the definitions of any tricky words?
- Research facts about the seas on Earth. Could you find out about unusual animals or research how global warming is affecting seas?
- Create your own May Day routine. Can you write out the instructions carefully?
- Design a Sports Day activity. How will it work and what equipment will you need?
- Practise your counting in French.
- Investigate the shadows in your garden. How do they change throughout the day?
- Pick a selection of items and investigate how they move on different surfaces. Do they move quicker, slower or not at all? Do they change direction?
- Investigate which items in your house are magnetic. What are they made out of?

The above is a suggested list of ideas. If you would like to carry out your own project, we would be excited to see it.