What did the Romans ever do for us?

Big picture-

This unit of learning has been planned with the children to help them understand how the past has shaped British society, culture and religion. The children will have the opportunity to explore Roman life and what impact they have had on our lives today. Reading an exciting mystery novel set in Ostia will bring the era to life.

Growing together   **O**pportunities for all   **L**earning for life   **D**aring to dream

Entry and Exit point

Entry point: exploring the Roman Empire through a range of resources

Exit point: an interactive Roman Museum

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Using philosophical questions, we will have a sense of empathy and appreciation of others' lives in different geographical settings, having time to reflect on their experiences and comparing them to our own. We will make responsible and reasoned judgments whilst sharing our views and opinions.

Thinking skills and personal capabilities

We will continue to develop our key skills of:

- resilience
- reflectiveness
- collaboration
- creative thinking
- independence

Key Texts:

Caroline Lawrence's 'The Thieves of Ostia', a historical mystery novel.

Child friendly, Battle Cry clips from 'Gladiator' & 'Braveheart'.

As **Writers** we will:

- Use a range of organisational devices.
- Use persuasive features.
- Create and perform compositions using appropriate intonation.
- Use modal verbs or adverbs.

As **Historians** we will:

- Study the difference between periods of time.
- Understand the significance of the lives of individuals in the past.
- Use a wide range of sources as a basis for research to answer questions.

As **Scientists** we will:

- Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity.
- Plan a fair test; identifying the controlled variables.
- Take repeated accurate measurements.
- Use test results to make predictions to set up further fair-tests.

As **Artists** we will:

- Choose the most appropriate materials for a collage to fit the purpose and theme (Romans).
- Create a collage with a deliberate choice of colour, pattern, lines, tones and shapes.