

Science

The children will be exploring animals including humans, with a special focus on how the digestive system works. They'll learn what happens to food as it travels through the body, discover the different functions of our teeth, and compare these to the teeth of herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. The children will also investigate how animals fit into food chains, helping them understand how living things depend on one another for survival.

PE

Crystal Class: Swimming on Monday

Quartz Class: Netball on Tuesday and Friday

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit.

RE

In RE pupils will be investigating the question 'Why are places of worship important to communities?'

Year 4 - Summer 1

Who were the Romans?

This half term, our History learning will centre on the big question: What was the Roman Empire's most significant impact on Britain? The children will explore why the Romans were so determined to invade, uncover the dramatic story of Boudicca's revolt, and discover the many ways Roman ideas, inventions and culture still influence our lives today. It's a topic full of action, intrigue and brilliant historical detective work.

In English, our writing will link closely with this theme. Using *Vita and the Gladiator* as our key text, the children will step into the world of ancient Rome, experimenting with writing from different points of view and immersing themselves in the rich storytelling of Roman myths.

Our Computing unit, 'We Are Artists', will give pupils the chance to become digital designers. They'll be creating imaginative patterns and artwork using computer programs, exploring how shape, colour and repetition can be used to produce striking visual effects.

In Art, the children will be developing their creativity through paper-pasted collage, inspired by the artist Kurt Schwitters. They'll experiment with layering, texture and mixed media to produce expressive and eye-catching designs that link beautifully with our Roman theme.

Wider Curriculum Outdoor Learning:

Outdoor Learning in Summer 2

Enrichment:

Swimming
Roman Day Friday 9th May 2026

Health and Wellbeing:

Mental Health Awareness Week

Maths

Our focus returns to calculation skills this half term, as we move into more complex calculations involving the four operations.

Please support your child by practising all the times tables at home.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns about your child's progress. The year group email is year4@rockmount.croydon.sch.uk

Useful links: [Year 4 Curriculum Map](#) [Year 4 school webpage](#) [National Curriculum](#)