

## Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term our main topic is the Romans which we will kick start with a fantastic trip to the Brading Roman Villa, I hope your children will be able to tell you about all the things they did. The topic overview is included with this letter - outlining what your child will be learning, to enable you to support them at home.

Our Roman topic will culminate with a Roman day in school on Thursday 4th July.

Parents and Carers will be invited to join us in the hall between 2 and 3pm to celebrate the work the children will have completed.

As part of this half term's family homework pupils will be asked to find or make a Roman costume such as a toga, Roman soldier, gladiator, Emperor, God or Goddess to wear on the Roman Day. Additionally we will be asking pupils to make a Roman building to display on our Roman Day and later at the Showcase Evening.

As before, Literacy homework and a numeracy challenge will be sent home weekly. Children who do not complete their homework at home are expected to complete it during their own time in school. Daily reading at home is still expected.

Year 3 pupils should be able to recall their 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables by the end of year 3. We focus particularly on 3s, 4s and 8s, please practise these with your child.

Both 3PT and 3BM will have PE on Thursdays and both classes will have games on Fridays. Please ensure that your child has an appropriate kit in school which includes trainers as most sessions will be outside. Sun cream and hats are also advised.

Key Stage 2 Sports Day will (hopefully!) be on the morning of Wednesday 26th June.

Our SEAL themes this term are 'Relationships' and 'Changes' and within these topics Year 3 children will be taught a series of lessons from the agreed Sex and Relationships Education, (SRE), programme. The children will be taught as a class group by their usual class teachers using educational materials which are age appropriate for Year 3 children. The materials include a DVD showing the similarities and differences between boys and girls and will focus on how we tell the difference.

During the sessions the children will learn some differences between male and female animals, describe some differences between boys and girls and understand that making a new

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life needs a male and a female. They will learn the correct anatomical names for body parts. Children will identify different types of touch that people like and do not like, begin to understand personal space and talk about ways of dealing with unwanted touch. They will learn that all families are different and have different family members and will identify who to go to for help and support. The information will be factual and the teachers will be sensitive in their teaching.

If you would like to know more about these lessons please make an appointment to speak to one of us and we can run through this very basic programme with you.

As always, you are very welcome to come into the classroom after school to look at your child's work or the class displays - or to talk to us if you have any queries or concerns about your child in school. Please see us to arrange a convenient time.

Thank you,

Mr Tilling

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and the Year 3 team -

Mrs Webb, Mrs Jacobs, Mrs Antwiss, Miss Hume, and Mrs Hiscock