

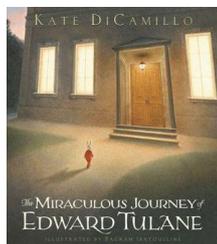
## Year 4 Newsletter

Hello Year 4 carers! As we look forward to a new school year and all the opportunities it brings, we are also going to be looking back - at the Roman Empire, and how it changed the world.

During our topic on the Romans, we will be answering such questions as: What was Julius Caesar like? Why was the Roman army so effective? What have the Romans ever done for us? We will also be building our own Roman catapults from k'nex in DT.



Our Power of Reading started with *Here We Are*, a lovely book by Oliver Jeffers that has eased us back into school life. We are now reading *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo, about a china rabbit that has to learn some hard lessons.



In maths we will be starting with place value of digits in numbers (thousands, hundreds, tens and ones), and moving on to calculations with addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

In science we will be looking at how sounds are made and how our ears work.

Children will be doing P.E. on a Thursday afternoon with Mr Clifton, and so this is the day that P.E. kits should be worn.

For homework this year, the children should work on their times tables to prepare for the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check. This check expects them to be able to answer any times tables question up to  $12 \times 12$  within 6 seconds, so it is important to practise these lots!

We will also be sending home spellings to practise, building up to the spelling rules and Y3/Y4 spellings required by the end of the year. At the moment we are still working on the best way to do this, so these will be with you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support!

Mr Haycock and Mr Ginns