

Rosewood

Weekly Review

Week Ending 10th May 2013

What's been happening this week?

GENERAL NOTE FROM THE TEACHER

On Tuesday the children were excited to share their news with each other after their time apart last week. The year 4's had a fantastic time during their residential visit to Grafham Water and particularly enjoyed watching the video of their trip during our community assembly on Friday.

LITERACY

Linked to our Roman topic, we created a news report about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. The children came up with alliterative headlines such as 'panic at Pompeii' and 'violent volcano Vesuvius' and included lots of factual information in their reports. They also included a fictional quote. We have now moved on to designing our own Roman villas and are in the process of creating a booklet advertising each villa to potential buyers. These booklets are filled with description and persuasive writing.

NUMERACY

We learnt all about Roman numerals this week. In order to convert a figure into Roman numerals, the children were required to use addition and subtraction. They found numbers involving subtraction to be particularly hard to calculate but thoroughly enjoyed demonstrating their new knowledge when completing a range of Roman numeral activities.

SCIENCE Our topic on electricity has been lots of fun so far and the children have created some excellent circuits. Initially they learnt how to create a circuit using wires, a battery and a light bulb. We enjoyed testing what would happen to the light bulb when we added lots of batteries to the circuit. We then tested different materials in our circuits to see whether they were conductors or insulators. Each child was able to create a working circuit which included the use of a metal spoon!

ART We now have plenty of shoe boxes (thank you!) and are preparing to turn each box into a room from a Roman villa. Preparation for this project has involved researching the features of Roman villas and planning the layout of each room. We have also begun to plan a design for a Roman mosaic. The completed version of this mosaic will decorate the front of each topic book.

NOTICES

- 17th May: Hazel Assembly
- 17th May: BSA Movie Night
- 24th May: INSET day

Swimming: Please note, your child should have their swimming kit in school on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. If they are not able to swim then we will require a note to explain this.

HOMEWORK



LITERACY (due in on Mondays)

Editing spellings

SPELLINGS
(Test on Wednesday)

NUMERACY (due in on Thursdays)

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SPEED TABLES
(Tested each day)

RETURN SLIP Please sign and return this slip on Monday.

