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Dear Parents and Carers of Willow Class,

We hope you have enjoyed a wonderful Easter break.

This term our Learning Journey moves back in time to 79AD, where we uncover archaeological evidence in the ancient city of Pompeii to find out what life in a Roman town was like. Our topic of 'The Romans' will lead us to explore the ways that the Roman empire expanded as well as to understand the different things the Romans used, created and had.

Curriculum areas in this term include:

English – we will be exploring a range of different poems before creating our own poem based on volcanoes which links in with Pompeii but also uses our knowledge from the previous topic of 'Extreme weather'. We will then find our inspiration from the picture book '*Escape from Pompeii*' to write our own piece of historical fiction and producing an explanation on 'How to be a Roman soldier'.

Maths – we are beginning this term by looking at money. We will be writing our own shopping lists and adding these up as well as comparing prices and discounts to really explore how to use money in the real world. We will then look at time and link this in with Roman clocks and the use of roman numerals.

Science & DT – we will be learning how to plan and conduct fair tests on our own Roman structures before investigating the properties of different materials to assess their suitability for use as Roman armour.

Art – we will be learning about and then creating our own Roman mosaics. We will be exploring other types of art from the Roman time and finding out why they used different patterns.

Geography – we will explore the different countries and areas which the Roman Empire were in charge of as well as finding out where the Roman roads are in our country. We will revise the countries of Europe and learn to identify some of them by shape.

P.E. – swimming begins at Lewes Leisure Centre for Terms Five and Six. Please arrange for your child to be at the Leisure Centre promptly for 9:05 or at school ready to walk by 8:50. This is when they will be registered and they should have their swimming costume, goggles if required and a towel with them. **Please ensure you stay with your child until a member of school staff arrives at the Leisure Centre.** We are in need of volunteers to help walk the children back to school at 10:15, so if you are available, even for one day, please do let us know.

We will also have PE as a class on Wednesday morning this term. However, please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school every day, as if the weather is nice we might go out at other times.

Please do see us if you have any queries and many thanks for your continuing support.

Miss Alice Cottingham
Year Four Class Teacher