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Dear Parents and Carers of Willow Class,

I hope that you have had a lovely half term.

This term our Learning Journey continues to focus on The Romans. We will be looking at Roman life from a geography approach, thinking about features in Britain that are still visible which give us information about Roman Britain and thinking about other countries that The Romans invaded.

Curriculum areas in this term include:

English – we will be producing an explanation on ‘How to be a Roman soldier’. We will be exploring how to write instructions and thinking about how the Roman Army remained successful. We will then be moving on to think about Boudicca’s speech and looking at persuasive speech. This will lead us in to writing our own speeches on things that we feel are important.

Maths – This term we will be focusing on geometry. We will start off by looking at angles and thinking about where angles can be found, both in shapes and in the world around us. We will then be looking at the different properties of shapes and getting our heads around the tricky names of shapes with many sides! Finally, we will finish the term by exploring position and direction, using grids to show coordinates.

Science– We will start the term by finishing off our unit on States of matter, exploring the water cycle and thinking about evaporation and condensation. We will then move on to look at sound. This will link nicely with music as we explore pitch, volume and rhythm.

Art & 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.

Geography – This term we will be improving our map reading skills. We will be looking at using compasses and up to 6 figure grid references. We will be exploring map symbols and what they mean. This will link in to our topic of The Romans as we think about Roman Britain and other invaded countries.

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