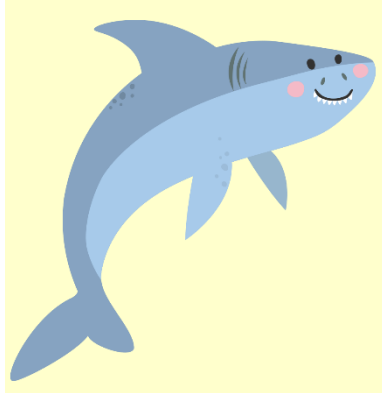


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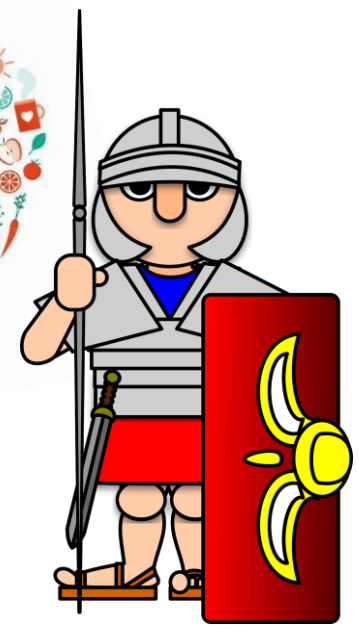


Welcome back Year 3/4!

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter and a well earned rest. We're looking forward to the Summer term and new learning experiences. This term, we are taking part in an exciting sustainability project with Portmead Primary School and National Landscapes. We'll continue to build on the skills the children have been learning in the previous two terms and introduce new concepts and learning as the term goes on.

Topic Overview

We're continuing our topic of Gofal for the first part of this term. Our sustainability project will teach us the importance of sustainable food and farming. We hope to develop our class garden using the knowledge and skills that we gain during the topic. We will then turn our attention to the Romans. We will find out what it was like to be a Roman, where they came from and how they influenced our lives today



Our Big Questions:

- Which types of food can we grow locally?
- What are food miles? How do they impact on the environment?
- How can we ensure wildlife is cared for?
- How do our actions impact on the wider world?
- Where did the Romans come from?
- How did they live?
- What evidence of the Romans can still be found today?

Engage/ visitors

To kick start our topic, Size of Wales will visit us and hold a workshop on deforestation. We also have trips planned to Community Farm Swansea, Big Meadow Farm and a visit to the Gower Heritage Centre and beach to complete our project. When we begin our Roman topic, we hope to visit the Roman Museum in Caerleon.





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Literacy

This half term, we will study the book 'The King Who Banned the Dark'. We will develop inference skills, make predictions about the story, work on descriptive writing of characters and settings. We will then use the structure of the story to develop our own narrative writing. Following this, the children will learn the features of persuasive writing. We plan to write a text to persuade the people of Britain to let the Romans stay. We will also continue to work on our Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) and incorporate these skills into our extended writing.



Welsh and French

We learn Welsh daily during 'Slot Drilio' sessions. These are quick, fun activities that reinforce vocabulary and sentence patterns. We also have separate Welsh lessons to extend our knowledge of the Welsh language through new sentence patterns, vocabulary, reading and writing. This term, we'll focus more on future tense sentence patterns and associated vocabulary. Alongside Welsh, we will also continue to learn French.



Our April Right of the Month is:
Article 29 : To be the best that you can be





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Numeracy

This term, we will be learning about:

- *Fractions*- We extend our knowledge of fractions and introduce the children to finding fractions of quantities and adding and subtracting unit fractions.
- *Decimals*- We will be learning how to represent tenths and hundredths as decimals. We'll also look at how we can divide and multiply whole numbers by ten and a hundred.
- *Mass and Capacity* - We learn how to weigh items in grams and kilograms and measure liquids in millilitres and litres. We'll learn how to read scales and convert between different measures.
- *Money*- We will build on our previous knowledge of money by adding different amounts of coins and notes and finding change from amounts. We'll also discuss bank accounts and how money can be spent digitally.
- *Time*- We learn to tell the time on both analogue and digital clocks. We'll look at the different ways to write the time, including on a 24 hour clock.
- *Shape*- We will learn the names of 2d and 3d shapes and discuss their properties.

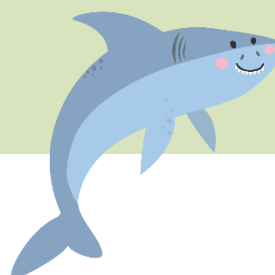
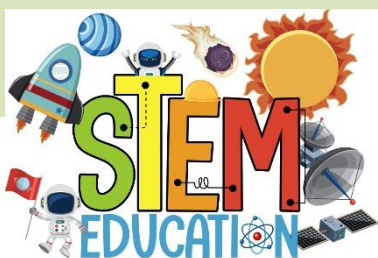
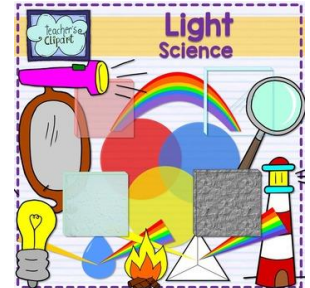
Science & Technology

Our Science topic for this term is Light. We will find out about different sources of light, how light reflects off objects and how shadows are formed.

Digital Skills (DCF Focus)

We will continue to develop our computer skills through focused computer lessons and applying skills across the curriculum. This term, we will focus on Producing. We will use various software programs to plan, create and evaluate our work.

We're always promoting online safety and ensuring that the children know how to keep themselves safe when using devices. We also ensure that they know who they can talk to if they are ever worried about something online.



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Humanities

Our focus will continue to look at our locality and how we use the land to help grow food sustainably. We will also look at wildlife in our locality and how we can help to protect vulnerable species.

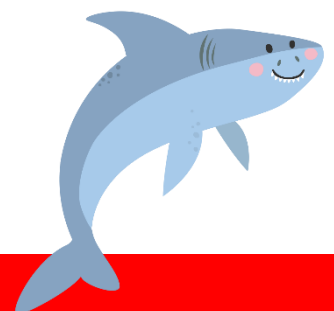


Later in the term, we will learn about the Romans. We'll find out what life was like in Roman times and how it compares to our lives today. We'll look at where the Romans were in our area and the legacy that they left behind.



RVE

This term, we will be investigating religious and non-religious ways to look after the earth. We will ask;
How do we look after the world? What do we do in our school/ local community?
What do Christian, Jewish and non-believers do to look after the world?
What influences them/ us to look after the world?





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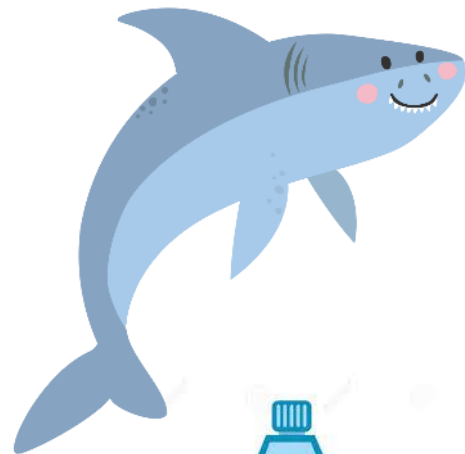
This term, we'll be celebrating our artwork from the year in a school exhibition. We'll continue to develop our drawing and painting skills through landscape observations. We'll look at examples of Roman artwork and create our own mosaics. We'll also create our own Roman shields.



Health & Wellbeing

This term, our PE sessions will focus on developing our athletics and summer sports. We'll develop different skills such as jumping, throwing, sprinting and our endurance to then transfer them to a variety of sports. We'll also continue to develop our striking, throwing and catching skills so that we can take part in cricket and rounders.

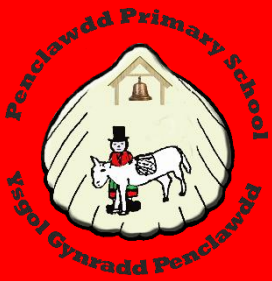
We will also be continuing our swimming lessons for the first few weeks of term.



The fruit trolley is fully stocked and ready for customers – 30p per day.

Healthy School Reminder

As part of our commitment to being a healthy school, we kindly ask that children **only bring water** to drink during the school day. This helps promote good habits, supports concentration, and encourages healthy choices.



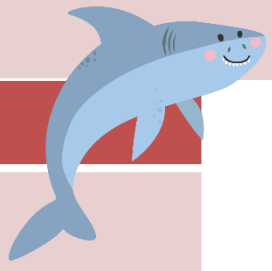
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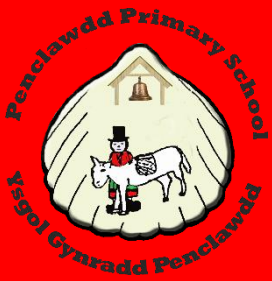
Reminders

Day	Activity	Information
Wednesday and Thursday	PE	Please ensure children have a change of kit (shorts, t-shirt) and appropriate footwear for PE. If the weather is good, we will try to get outside as much as possible. We always encourage children to change before and after a PE lesson but they will always be able to do PE, even if they forget to bring their kit, providing they have suitable, safe footwear.
Wednesday	PPA	Mr. Culpin will be teaching the class. During this time, the class will continue their work in numeracy and literacy. They will also do PE and have lessons in French, RVE and Music.
Thursday (after swimming)	Outdoor learning	Please ensure the children have wellies/ change of shoes and a waterproof coat for this day.
Friday	Library	Children have the chance to visit our School Library to select a reading book.



Diary Dates

April	14 th - Size of Wales Deforestation Workshop 22 nd - Earth Day 24 th - Community Farm Trip 29 th - Art Exhibition
May	Local Community History Month 11 th - 15 th - World Mental Health Week
June	Pride Month 5 th - Sports Day (See upcoming whole school newsletter for times) 18 th - Big Meadow Farm trip 25 th - Gower Heritage Centre trip



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HOME LEARNING

Literacy. Maths, Topic and Reading Spine- please find on our online class page

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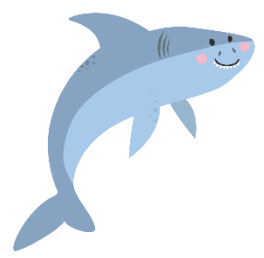
How can you support at home

Spelling	Children have now been sent their block of spelling words to learn. These words continue from last term. We will reassess the children before February half term. The children do regular spelling activities throughout the week and are tested on their words each Friday. Please support your child by practising these words with them regularly. Click here for our spelling resources.
Reading Books	We always encourage reading at home as much as possible. Children will take part in guided reading sessions, reading based work in their literacy as well as being listened to read during the school week. Take a look at our termly reading spine for some wonderful books to read with your child. Summer literature spine
Times Tables & One Minute Maths	Learning times tables helps children with so many different aspects of maths. Your child has access to fun games such as TT Blast via their Hwb account.

SeeSaw
 Weekly updates—including important information, photographs, and highlights of classroom activities—will be shared via Seesaw. Please note that during teaching hours, I may not be able to respond to messages immediately. If your message is urgent, kindly contact the school office directly.



Be On Time!
 Please ensure your child arrives promptly for school each day. Lessons begin at 8:50am, and a calm, punctual start helps children settle quickly and get the most from their learning.



Attendance
 Please report your child's absence via this form - [click here](#)