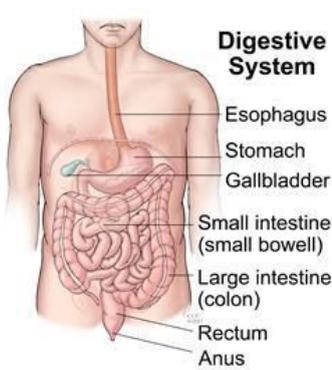


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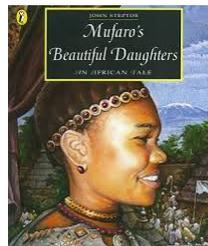
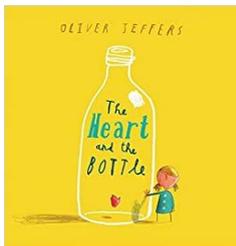
Digestive system & Rocking Romans!

This term, our topic is The Digestive System & Rocking Romans! Ruby and Maroon will take on the role of historians to investigate England's rich history of invaders, settlers and Roman daily life.



English

In our English lessons, we will be learning how to write rhyming poems. We will be reading 'The Heart and the Bottle', retelling the story, focusing on the use of descriptive language, and writing a diary entry. Also, for Black History Month, we will be reading 'Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters', a fairytale set in Africa. We will develop our cursive handwriting and work on common spelling patterns.



Maths

In Maths, we will be working with the children to cover any missed learning. We will begin by focusing on place value and addition where we will learn mental and formal written methods. Then, we will move on to multiplication and division. Each day, we will practise our timetables using Times Table Rockstars.

We will continue to develop our reasoning and problem solving skills, using specific mathematical language.

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Science

In Science, we will be learning about the Digestive System; naming organs and their role in the process of digesting food. We will investigate teeth and identify their functions.

Computing

Play Like Share

This term your child's class will be studying a unit of work based on Play Like Share, an animated series about **online safety** produced by Thinkuknow.

You can watch all three episodes of Play Like Share at <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/playlikeshare>

It is a great idea for you to watch each episode with your child and to have conversations with them about it. To help you do this, follow the link to find a parents and carers helpsheet:

<https://www.crownlane.lambeth.sch.uk/onlinesafetyforparentsandcarers>

You will also find plenty of advice and support about keeping your child safe online at the Thinkuknow Parents and Carers Website: www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents.

P.E

This term, we will be learning the key skills required for team games. Ruby class will have P.E. every Monday and Maroon every Tuesday - please ensure children come to school in full Crown Lane PE kit on these days (trainers, black, blue or grey jogging bottoms and a white t-shirt). **Please make sure your child has their name written in all of their clothing.**

Home learning

Home Learning will be issued on a Friday, via Google Classroom, and is due back the following Wednesday. Your child will have one piece of English homework and one piece of Maths homework each week. They will also be given a topic based project to complete throughout the term. It is really important that children are practising times tables at home, because these form the foundations for much of the Maths work we are doing in class. Children are expected to be able to randomly recall their times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4. Please support your child in working towards this.

Additional information

Please be aware of the new school staggered timings for the day - Year 4 **start at 8:30am** and **finish at 2:45pm**.

Home Reading Journals: For the time being, reading books will not be sent home.

We are focusing on wellbeing, mental health and PSHE throughout the term.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher.
Jen Hardy (Maroon Class) and Colette La touche (Ruby Class) and Mr McKenzie
(both classes)

For Term 1, we are planning a Roman learning experience which will help the children to learn about Roman life style, history and culture by bringing their learning alive.