



Dereham
Church Of England
Junior Academy

Welcome Meeting
Year 4



1. Meet the staff
2. Communicating with us
3. Behaviour Expectations
4. Mental Health and Resilience
5. A brief overview of the year
6. Homework Expectations
7. How to help your child at home



Mrs Scott
Head teacher



Mr Dack
Deputy Head



Mrs Hathaway
Pastoral Worker
Year 3+4

The Year 4 Team!



**Miss Millington
Babbage
Year Leader**

**Mrs Chadwick
Malorie
Mon-Wed**

**Mrs Gardiner
Seacole
Thurs-Fri**

**Mr Blenkin
Parks**

The Year 4 Team!



Mrs O'Sullivan
Malorie



Mrs Calver
Seacole



Mrs Scott
Parks

Communication from us:

- Newsletters every week
- Letters/emails
- MyEd
- Postcards
- Facebook
- Phone calls
- Speaking at pick up times



How to communicate with us:

- Phone/email/visit the office
- MyEd
- Adults on the front gate every morning who can relay a message.

Behaviour



Be respectful

Be safe

Be ready

Logical Consequences

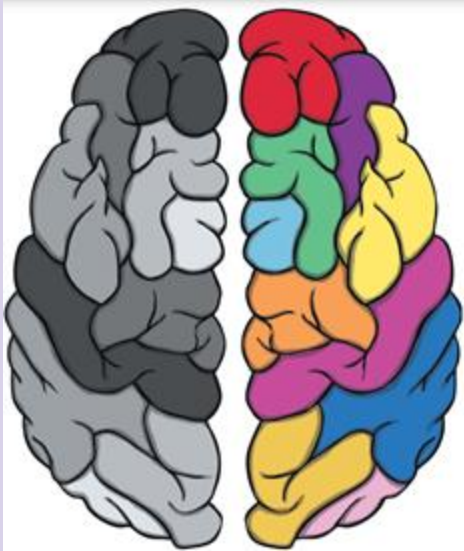
A Focus on the Positives!

- Positive relationships
- Behaviour tokens
- Positive postcards
- House points
- Golden tickets
- Learner of the week

Mental Health and Wellbeing

- We have RSHE lessons which all contain slides and a chance to talk about mental health
- A children's wellbeing/mental health group
- Pastoral workers
- Staff who are supportive of children.
- Worry boxes in each class

Resilience!



Year 4

Topics:

- How did the Roman invasions change Britain?
- Lightbulb Moments
- Tomb Raiders (Ancient Egypt)
- Water, Water Everywhere!
- Meet the Neighbours
- Come Dine with Me
- Rumble in the Jungle

Knowledge organisers



- Music Provision- recorders
- Residential - Spring/Summer 2025
- Multiplication Times Table Test



How can you help your child at home?

- Read with them!
- Ask about their day and encourage them to explain things they have learnt to you!
- Ensure they complete their homework each week (this will help their learning in class)

Links to knowledge organisers for each topic will be on the year group newsletters.

How did the Roman Invasion change Britain?

Who were The Romans?

The Romans are the people who **originated** (came from) from the city of **Rome** in **modern day Italy**.

Some Romans believed brothers Romulus and Remus founded (created) Rome.

Over 1200 years, they built a large empire covering a lot of the world!

This included places in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East and parts of Britain!



Why did they invade Britain and what happened when they did?

It took 3 attempts to invade!

In **43 AD**, Emperor **Caesarius** was successful!

The Romans wanted Britain in their empire for many reasons, including Gold and silver, leather and wool and slaves.

Many Celtic tribes in Britain were very unhappy with the invasion and tried to fight back.

Boudicca (the **queen of the Iceni tribe**) led a rebellion against the Romans and burnt the town of **Londinium** (modern day London) to the ground.

What did the Romans do in Britain?

When the Romans settled in Britain, they brought their way of life with them.

Wealthy Romans created towns similar to those in Italy and built large villas to live in.

The Romans built roads which were very straight. These helped soldiers and goods move from one place to another quickly.

The Romans also brought different religious beliefs with them—this was something that made the people who already lived there cross.

The Romans also brought a system of currency, establishing the use of coins.

What was their legacy in Britain?

There are lots of things in Britain today which are evidence of the Roman invasion and settlement in England.

- Hadrian's Wall still stands in the North of England
- In places like Bath, Cirencester and London lots of artefacts (including whole mosaic floors!) have been found.
- Many of the roads built are still used today!
- Lots of the towns still exist today and are even larger! London, Manchester and Bath are examples of these.

What are Volcanoes?

A volcano is an opening in the Earth's crust that allows magma, hot ash and gas to escape.

Volcanoes can look like mountains or small hills, depending on what type they are.

Magma is molten rock - rock that is so hot it has turned into liquid. When magma reaches the surface of the Earth it is called lava and comes out of the volcano as a volcanic eruption, along with gases and ash.



What happened at Pompeii?

In 79AD, Mount Vesuvius—a volcano in Italy—erupted.

The eruption completely destroyed the cities of Herculaneum and Pompeii and many people died.

Pompeii and Herculaneum were buried under lots of ash and dirt.

Archaeologists have excavated Pompeii and it has told historians lots about how the Romans lived there.

Homework Expectations

Year 4 (per week) =

- **Minimum** of 3 x 15 min reading sessions
- **Minimum** 1 x times table sheet
- **Minimum** 1 x spelling sheet

ALL homework will be rewarded with housepoints.

Additional games!



Just a few words from our fantastic

FRIENDS!



After a few years without a PTA group following Lockdown, the FRIENDS were re-established last September, with a small but dedicated team committed to supporting the school.

Through events such as termly discos, bingo nights, cake sales, Freezer Fridays, raffles and selling refreshments at the annual sports day, we raised nearly £9000. This has enabled us to support the children in our school in a number of ways including:

- Buying RSHE books
- Sharing the cost of the 'Maths Magician' workshops for children and parents
- Paying the bulk of costs for Year 6 hoodies/t.shirts
- Providing fish and chips for the final treat day for Year 6
- Providing extra special treats at the Christmas lunch
- Organising an ice-cream van to visit the school so that every one in our school community could have a free ice-cream or lolly

~~We are very keen to expand our team and would welcome your support!~~

If you would like to find out more, please do contact us on friendsdja@outlook.com. We also have a facebook page: **Friends of Dereham Junior**

Alternatively, we are usually at the front gate at the end of the day so please do come and chat with us.

We look forward to another amazing year of fund-raising and hope you will join us!

Chairperson - Rebecca Edwards (mum of Amber Year 6)

Treasurer - Sarah Lawrence (mum of Noah Year 6 and Oscar Year 4)

Secretary - Louisa Vargeson (mum of Hugo (Year 5) Ezra and Rafferty (Year 4)).

