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Dear parents and carers,

As we return from half term, we continue with our topic “How did the arrival of the Romans change Britain?”, delving deeper into this fascinating period of history and finding out even more about what life was like in Roman times.

Science: We continue to explore ‘States of Matter’ with lots of hands-on investigative activities that bring our learning to life.

Please make a note of the following on your calendars!

Thursday 5th March - World book Day!

Monday 9th March- We will mark the start of British Science Week. There is also the Science fair and competition.

Reading: Reading is a key aspect of our curriculum. It helps to improve vocabulary choices and is a transferable skill. Please continue to read with your child and encourage them to read several times a week. Making reading part of your child’s daily routine is a great way to make this achievable.

Times Tables: Times Tables practice continues to be an important part of your child’s home learning routine. As we mentioned at the beginning of the year, all year 4 pupils will take part in the national Multiplication Tables Check in the summer term. The purpose of the check is to determine whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. The check is undertaken online in a very similar format to a Soundcheck on Times Tables Rockstars so playing on TTRS little and often as well as reciting facts aloud will help them to approach the check with confidence. Soundchecks will continue to feature in the weekly homework that your child brings home on a Monday.

PE: PE is on **Thursday** and **Friday**.

This half term we are lucky enough to be doing Yoga on Thursdays. Swimming continues on a Friday morning.

Many thanks for your continued support and encouragement.

The Year 4 Team