

Classroom News



Class Name: Colchester

Term: Term 5 2022-2023

What we have been learning this term:

This term our topic has been Rotten Romans and superheroes! We started our exploration of the Romans by understanding life in the Iron Age. After making our own Celtic roundhouses we had a Roman workshop at Newbury Museum. Students held and drew artefacts and had fun dressing up as Roman civilians and Legionary's.

Many pupils have been inspired by the Roman army and how they became the largest fighting force in the ancient world. Pupils have been making their own Scutum (Roman Shields) and when finished will invade the school field for a military re-enactment of the turtle formation!

Our focus in English has been Superheroes which many pupils have impressive existing knowledge. Students have created superhero riddles, fact files, and diary entries highlighting the heroic deeds of their character. We are currently exploring George Majors a young boy who raised £20,000 for the hospital where he was being treated for cancer. This will form the basis of our report writing.

In Maths we have used non-standard and standard units to measure the weight and mass of various objects around the school. They developed their understanding of weight by first estimating then recording the accurate measurements within a table. We then moved onto learning more about number bonds, working through 1-10 or 1-20.

On Friday afternoons we have been 'green fingered' by growing a range of vegetables and flowers in the classroom. Pupils have been nurturing the seedlings daily and are enthused to see the sudden growth each day. The seedlings are growing fast and students made newspaper pots to separate plants. We are nearly ready to plant them out into the raised beds in the polytunnel

In PE Averil has been preparing pupils for sports day through a range of athletic activities. They have been practicing different throwing techniques with the Hammer, Shot Put and Vortex. It has been super witnessing the determination in pupils to better their distances each week.

Have a lovely half term!

The Colchester team.

Some photos of us!



Dates & Points to remember:

First day back: Monday 5th June
 School Photographer: Tuesday 20th June
 Secondary Sports Day: Thursday 22nd June
 Castle Fest: Saturday 24th June
 BFG @ The Corn Exchange: Tuesday 4th July
 Oxford Bus Museum Trip: Wednesday 7th July
 Last day of term: Wednesday 19th July