

## Grange Academy Eagles

### Key Dates

#### April

**15 Wed** Pupils Return to School  
15 Wed Autism Awareness Day

#### May

4 Mon **May Bank Holiday (No pupils in school)**  
5 Tues Pupils Return to School  
6 Tues Quidditch Event  
**26 - 29** **Half Term**

#### June

1 Mon Pupils Return to School  
23 Tues Sports Day

#### July

9 Thurs Grange Festival Fun Day  
13 Mon Year 10/11 Prom  
16 Thurs Leavers' Assembly  
17 Fri **Last day of Term (1 pm finish)**

***This list is not exhaustive. Other things may be arranged throughout the term.***

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Please see attached an overview for the learning that will be taking place in **Eagles** this upcoming term and some important dates for your diary.

Our theme for this term **Romans - Spartacus** will be personalised to meet your child's needs, as informed by pupils' EHC plans. Furthermore, this overview includes some ideas about how you can support your child's learning at home alongside their daily reading and weekly homework tasks.

We look forward to the exciting term ahead, and to supporting your child to meet their fullest potential.

If you would like to discuss anything, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Kindest Regards,

**Team Eagles**

**Belong**

**Believe**

**Achieve**

## Romans - Spartacus

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| <b>English</b>         | This term, your child will use the exciting story Across the Roman Wall to help them become confident writers and readers. They will learn how to write for different reasons like writing persuasive speeches, news reports, and personal diaries all based on life in Roman Britain. We will also be working hard on using better punctuation and grammar to help their writing flow smoothly and clearly.                                                                                       |
| <b>Maths</b>           | Practical life skills are at the heart of our maths lessons as students dive into money, statistics, and shape. They will be practicing how to calculate change and manage budgets, while also learning to read and create graphs and charts to understand information. In our work on shapes and measurement, they will explore the properties of 2D and 3D objects and learn how to measure accurately for real-world tasks.                                                                     |
| <b>Art</b>             | This term Eagles will be studying The Romans and their use of mosaics. They will be looking at the use of colour and patterning to design their own Roman inspired mosaic using stone tiles and grout.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>DT</b>              | This term, pupils will be investigating thermo regulating and thermochromic fabrics and their uses. Pupils will be producing their own drinks cooler following a template paper pattern. They will develop their independence through improving their hand and machine stitching skills.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Topic</b>           | Your child is diving into the dramatic world of Ancient Rome, focusing on the famous gladiator Spartacus and the lost city of Pompeii. They will explore big ideas like freedom and fairness by comparing the lives of powerful Romans to those who fought for their rights. In Geography, they will also investigate the power of nature by studying volcanoes and how the eruption of Mount Vesuvius changed history forever.                                                                    |
| <b>RE</b>              | Our students will be exploring the core beliefs of Islam, focusing on why the Qur'an is so special and how Muslims show their faith through prayer and worship. They will also look at Judaism and compare how different religions, and even people with no religion, work together to make the world a kinder and better place. These lessons aim to build a deep sense of respect and understanding for different cultures and the shared values that help us all live together.                 |
| <b>PE</b>              | Our students are getting active this term as they take on Athletics and Tennis, inspired by the strength of the Romans. To get ready for Sports Day, they will be practicing their running, jumping, and throwing to build up their speed and fitness. On the tennis court, they are learning how to hit the ball with accuracy and control. Most importantly, these lessons focus on fair play, helping everyone build the confidence to do their best and support their teammates.               |
| <b>Science</b>         | Our classrooms are turning into science labs as students explore the invisible world of forces and magnets. They will be getting hands-on with experiments to see how friction slows things down on different surfaces and investigating the "magic" of magnetic attraction. By planning their own fair tests and measuring results, the children will learn to explain how objects move, why certain metals stick to magnets, and how these forces work in the real world.                        |
| <b>Food Technology</b> | Pupils will continue to develop their range of cookery skills, including more complex skills for some. Where possible, lessons will be linked with the Roman topic. Pupils will be looking at staple foods from around the Roman Empire and exploring some Roman recipes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>ICT</b>             | Pupils will learn how digital media is created through stop-motion animation using cameras. They will explore how still images can be sequenced to show movement, develop ideas through storyboarding, and create short animations using digital devices. The unit supports creativity, media literacy, teamwork, and an understanding of how digital media is used in the real world.                                                                                                             |
| <b>RSHE</b>            | We are helping your child become a "Guardian of Their Own Growth" by teaching them how to stay safe and confident in our fast-changing world. This unit focuses on practical life skills, such as online security, water safety, and how to use medicines correctly. By practicing how to handle emergencies and manage their feelings during big changes, students will gain the independence they need to move toward secondary school with confidence and resilience.                           |
| <b>Life-Skills</b>     | Students are becoming more independent as they focus on personal safety and community life. They will be practicing how to stay safe in town by watching for traffic and keeping their belongings, like phones and bags, secure. In school, they are learning home safety by using the hob to cook simple meals like rice and noodles. To put these skills into action, they will also plan an outdoor project where they visit local shops, use a shopping list, and practice ordering at a café. |