

Year 4

We are year 4! We are St. James! We are British! What does it all mean? Join us on an adventure through our heritage to discover who we really are!

Our first topic is **Heritage**: We are going to learn about ancient Rome and all it has done for us. From roads to stinging nettles we are on a journey of discovery. We will explore famous emperors, gladiators and take on the Roman Empire. Building our very own armour ready for combat - will we get the thumbs up from the gladiator or be tossed to the tigers!

As the Roman Empire spread we will discover it's trade links and it's influence on our own today. We are going to time travel back to ancient Rome in our time machine with the help of **The Time travelling Cat** and create our own science fiction stories. Will we be slaves of the emperor or rise to the challenge and escape!

It doesn't stop there! We are going to learn all about Italy both past and present. From it's mountain ranges and lakes to it's traditions and cultures. We'll try our hand at mosaic making, Venetian mask making and even Opera - move over Pavarotti! But with all this learning there must be some tasty rewards? We'll take on the **Two Greedy Italians** and try at our hand at some of Italy's most famous dishes - Pronto!

As Romans left their mark in our local area we will be out and about exploring it's influence and historical remains. We'll take a trip to a Roman fort and discover just how close the Romans were to us all! With such excitement, fun and discoveries to be made I'm sure you can't wait to say Ciao to our topic!

If you require any further information about our curriculum please visit our topic overview and topic grid on the school website or pop into school. Be warned though we work so hard that 'Nessun Dorma'!