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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well and you all had a lovely break.

On Monday 2nd November, we launched our new topic for this term (**Ruthless Romans**) and the children really enjoyed designing and making their own mosaic. They all look fabulous! This term we will be looking into the growth of the Roman Empire and the question 'Is invasion always wrong?'.

Alongside our topic, we will be looking at '**Animals including Humans**' in science. Within this unit, the children will be expected to look after their own baby (1.5kg bag of flour!) for a week. The children will bring home a log and a diary which they are expected to fill out each day on their experience as a new parent. Previous years have absolutely loved this activity and I am excited to do it with this year group.

In **literacy** this term, we will be learning about a historical story 'Becoming a Roman', followed by a diary entry. In **maths**, we will complete our unit on statistics and then we will move towards multiplication and division.

**PE** will continue to be on a Tuesday afternoon, with our focus this term being dance. Please make sure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on Tuesday. If your child has their ears pierced, please make sure that your child can remove their earrings themselves or provide plasters to cover them up. Children with long hair will need to have their hair tied up so please provide your child with a hairband if necessary.

**Homework** this term will begin on 9th November. We will continue to provide your child with multiplication tables and spellings which they will be tested on every Friday. The children are also expected to read every night for 10 minutes. If you could record at least three of these in your child's reading record that would be greatly appreciated.

I hope this letter covers any queries about the new term. If you have any questions please email the office.

Thank you again for your support, we look forward to another exciting term of learning!

Best wishes,

Miss Rockett and the Year 5 Team.