

Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter - Summer Term 2018

Welcome back to school! I hope you have had a fantastic Easter holiday and you are ready for the term ahead.

English

We begin the term with one of my favourite topics: Myths & Legends! This will link with our topic work on Ancient Greece. Children will learn about the different mythical creatures, and write their own quest story.



Later in the term we will change our focus to classical poetry, looking at The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes.

After the half term we will be studying historical narrative stories including Street Child by Berlie O'Doherty. We will also be writing sets of instructions for different purposes.

Maths

In maths we will continue to practise written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, including the use of decimals.

Multiplication Monday will continue until the end of the year and arithmetic practise tests will continue every two weeks.

Other areas covered will include fractions, area, volume, measures and statistics.

Science

This term our science work will be based around light. We will investigate how it travels, use prisms to refract light, look at how we see different colours and find out the link between shapes of objects and the shadows they cast.

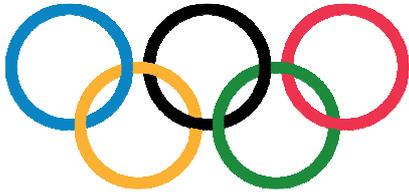
Topic

As mentioned earlier our topic for this term is Ancient Greece. As well as looking at mythical stories in English, children will learn about the history of this ancient civilisation. Some of the things we will cover include Alexander the Great, the origins of the Olympic games, the city states of Athens and Sparta and the gods of Ancient Greece.



PE

Over Summer we will be practising different athletic events, playing cricket, rounders and taking part in outdoor adventure activities.



Design Technology & Art

Over the first two weeks Mr Kidd will continue cooking sessions, which the class are very excited about. Later in the term children will research, design and make their own Greek style vases based around the Olympics.

RE

Mrs Taylor will teach RE this term, and will focus on the events of the book of Genesis. Children will make their own interpretations of the story, using art, poetry and questioning.

Computing

Computing work this term is all about digital media. Children will plan and record their own video for the ChildNet Film Competition. Throughout this topic we will revisit internet safety and copyright protection.



PSHE

In PSHE we will be thinking about risk. How can we weigh up risks? When is it good to take risks (like trying new things)? What possible consequences could there be?

Spanish

Mrs Taylor will continue to teach Spanish on Thursday afternoons.

General Notices

PE kits: Blue shorts, white t-shirt, black pumps and trainers. Children will need an outdoor kit (a blue or black tracksuit). PE kits should be in school every day and must be clearly labelled.

Baby News: I am delighted to announce that Martha Kewley was born on 6th April 2018 weighing 7lb 13oz. Mother and baby are both well.

As always, if you have any questions, or would like any further guidance in supporting your child, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us.

Mr Kewley & Miss Byrne